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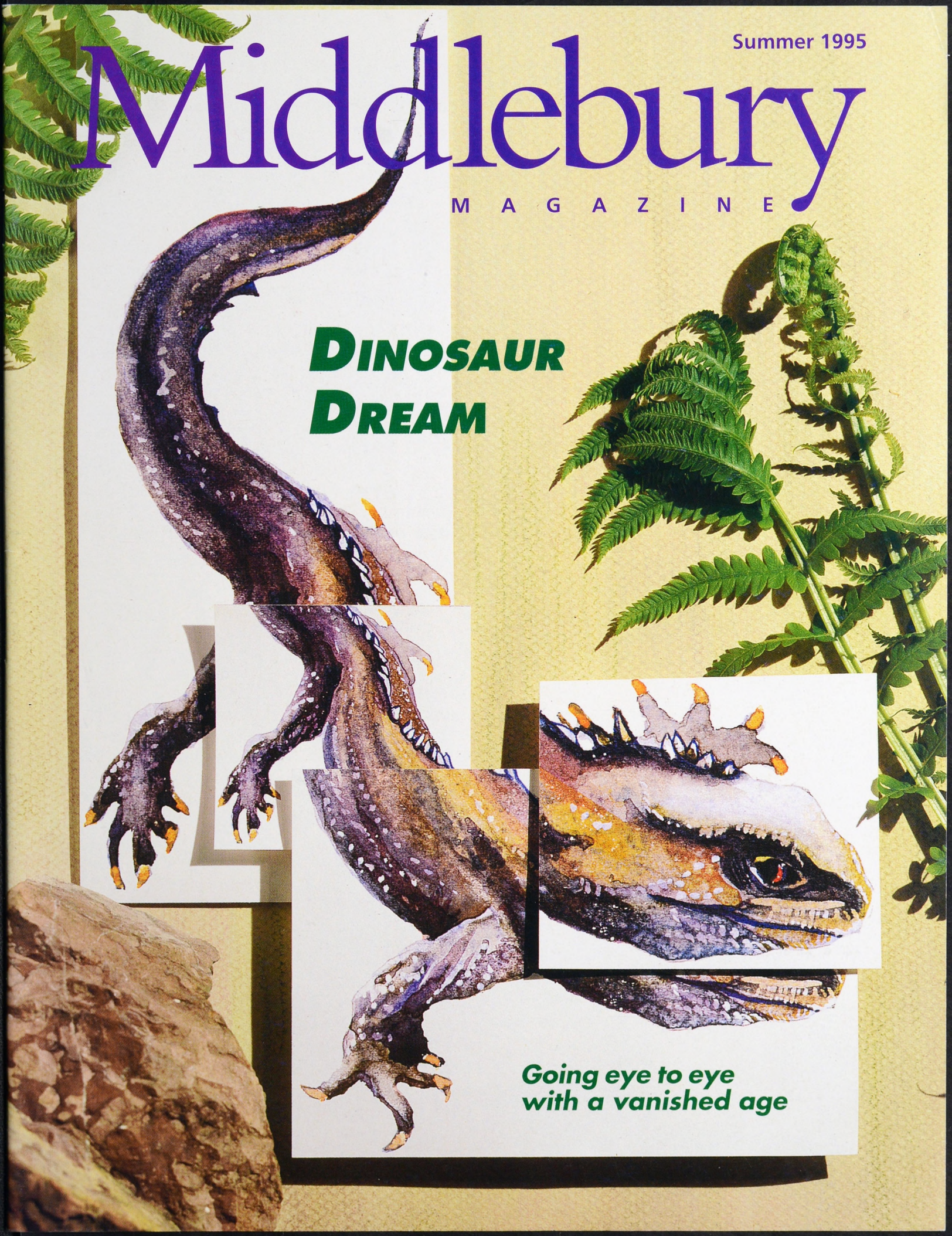

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Going eye to eye with a vanished age

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HIGH UP IN THE CATBIRD SEAT

I can look down over treetops to Old Chapel from my perch in the attic of Hillcrest. As you'd expect, we're well situated to observe the life of the College from this vantage point, but we also find ourselves surprisingly well connected to the complex web the Middlebury family has spun worldwide. In fact, I'm feeling a bit like Charlotte, the friendly spider in E.B. White's *Charlotte's Web*, who has just woven a message, but instead of "SOME PIG," it says "SOME SCHOOL." And neighbors and family have gathered round to comment.

"I read it cover to cover," said Jennifer Sutton '86. "I suddenly find myself interested in the College again." She and nearly 100 other alums have not been shy with their responses. I received letters, e-mail, phone calls, and visits from alumni who told me their thoughts about the new magazine. To tell the truth, I was stunned by the response (as was the brave mail carrier who had to stagger up the steep stairs in Hillcrest). I've worked in three other colleges and never have I seen a response like this.

Most letters were very positive, but I'll admit that a few (probably five or six out of 100, but who's counting?) were not the kind of letter you add to your portfolio.

"You are not a graduate of this College," wrote one critical reader, who thought I was a "Tina Brown wannabe." "Go find your own *New Yorker* magazine to edit. Leave *Middlebury Magazine* alone!"

Happily, most of my correspondents did not feel as she did. "I liked everything about the new magazine," wrote Craig Stewart '63 from Seattle, and while not everyone loved *everything* (captions for wedding pictures were a bone of contention for several readers), the prevailing sentiment was *effusively* positive.

Most alumni responded by letter—the kind we all love to get—thick paper, pretty stamps, one had a row of little ducks waddling across the flap. But these days reaching out and touching someone can be a lot faster on the Internet.

Picture this: I arrive at work, the phone is silent, the mail hasn't arrived, yet my computer is pulsing with messages. People are just making coffee downstairs, and I'm replying to an alum who contacted me from Zambia. Or having a spirited computer discussion with a class secretary about the philosophy of word counts, or the merits of quotation marks around a certain word with another alum.

Most fun, though, are the alumni who find themselves in the Middlebury area and decide to drop in. They don't realize this means scaling Hillcrest's nearly 90 degree attic steps and hanging onto a metal pipe bannister for dear life.

Some very elderly alumni have made the trek. I like to think they've recently read aloud to their grandchildren about Charlotte's literary exploits high up in the attic of the Zuckerman barn. "TERRIFIC," wrote Charlotte. I couldn't agree more. ■ *RM*

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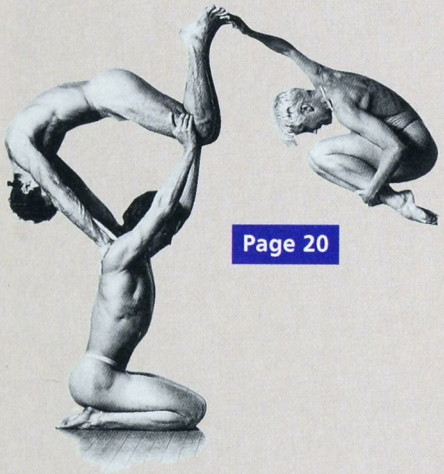

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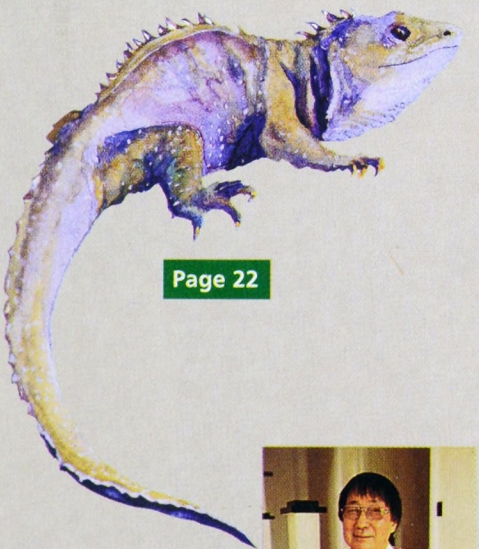

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Reunion '95

Returning after 5 or 70 years to the campus that launched their lives, more than 2,000 Middlebury alumni, family, and friends found their alma mater changed, yet the same. Some found time for reflection, while others tried out the new Dragone Track. (Far right, Allan R. Dragone, Sr., '50 with Walter E. Brooker '37.)

Photographs by Erik Borg

Front and Center

Barbara Yahr '80 stood exactly front and center this spring as she conducted the National Symphony Orchestra at Washington's Kennedy Center. Having just completed a four-year appointment as resident staff conductor with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra under Lorin Maazel, music director, Yahr is now taking the podium as guest conductor for a number of orchestras throughout Europe and the United States.

Speaking of yar, **Kevin ('84) Mahaney's** yacht, *Young America,* took a second place finish in the Defender's series of the America's Cup with Mahaney skippering. Winner Dennis Connor then "borrowed" Mahaney's boat to defend the cup against the New Zealand challenger, *Black Magic.* Connor went down, the boat did not. The Cup is now being raised down under.

Special Agent **Tom Easton '66** is helping the FBI put "the pieces of the puzzle together" in the Oklahoma City bombing. He's been in the FBI for the last 24 years with a variety of assignments, including undercover work and aviation. He's currently flying for the Bureau, providing "high-tech photographic" support. Easton can say little on the record, but as to the hazards of the job? "Shoot, it's dangerous these days walking across the street."

Let's hope the passing of the cup was even half so genial as the passing of the gavel in May when Chairman of the Board of Trustees **Robert Youngman '64** turned over the chairmanship to **Claire Waterhouse Gargalli '64**, who is vice chair of one of the top 50 executive search firms in the U.S. When Gargalli joked she hoped she could fill Bob's (rather sizable) shoes, everyone got a good chuckle, but no one had any doubt she would follow quite nicely in his footsteps. "She's got everyone's confidence and respect," commented Pat Judah Palmer '57, secretary of the board. ■

CAPITAL PLAY: FESTIVAL HONORS ABOUND

It was certainly Middlebury's day upon the stage. Having been chosen as one of six finalists (among 900 competing schools) to perform at the Kennedy Center in Washington for the National American College Theatre Festival, Middlebury walked away with top honors, and, as icing on the cake, an acting scholarship award for senior Aidan Sullivan.

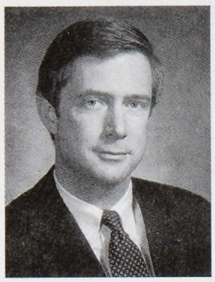
Scenes from an Execution, Howard Barker's play about art and life, had been staged at Middlebury during the fall to rave reviews, and its two-day run at this festival brought a standing ovation.

Alexander Draper '88 and senior Aidan Sullivan

"It was an enormous deal," said Cheryl Faraone, associate professor of theatre, of the fact that seniors Aidan Sullivan and David Barlow were finalists and that Aidan Sullivan won the prestigious competition. "It is unprecedented in the American Theatre Festival that an entire region has been represented by two students from one school."

Plans are afoot for a New York coproduction of the play with the Blue Light Theatre Company and the Potomac Theatre Project (a Middlebury-affiliated group), headed by Greg Naughton '90, who will also be acting in the performance along with fellow alumni Alexander Draper '88 and Lynn Hawley '89. ■

Photograph of Barbara Yahr by Christian Steiner; photograph of Aidan Sullivan and Alexander Draper by Erik Borg



PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

by John M. McCardell, Jr.

SOMETIMES BIGGER IS BETTER

Several weeks ago the College awarded 615 diplomas to the Class of 1995, by far the largest class in Middlebury's history.

By most standards of measurement, this was an extraordinarily able senior class. They counted among their number winners of Truman, Fulbright, and Irene Ryan fellowships; a first place at the American College Theatre Festival; two Keasbey Scholars; sixty-one Phi Beta Kappas; and participants on nine teams invited to NCAA post-season play, including our Division III men's ice hockey national champions. Many faculty were heard to remark that many of the best students they had ever had walked across the stage that Sunday morning.

These exercises, in conjunction with a set of historic decisions made by the Board of Trustees two weeks earlier, brought to a close an especially instructive cycle in the life of the College. That cycle began in the fall of 1991, when an entering class of record size swelled the opening enrollment to 2,174 students. Gratifying as it was to know that so many able students, however unexpectedly, had chosen Middlebury, the College was in no way prepared to cope with a student body of such size.

During that year 1991-92, facing not only an overcrowded campus but also dire predictions concerning the size and quality of future applicant pools, the Strategic Planning Committee, which I chaired, set a course to "right-size" the College. By this we meant that the time had come to learn to live within both our physical and financial means by bringing the size of the student body, faculty, and staff into balance with the capacity of our physical plant.

With size will come greater strength and distinction. . . . With growth, the essential nature of the College has been preserved over the decades.

Since 1991, the enrollment has by design fallen below 2,000 students and the size of the faculty and staff has been trimmed by about 5 percent. At the same time, every budget was balanced; no maintenance was deferred; and the rate of comprehensive fee increase was cut almost in half. Next fall we will open the year with one student per single room, two students per double, and no students in lounges.

Why, then, not simply congratulate ourselves on a job well done and place the College on automatic pilot, destination "steady state"?

In revisiting our strategic plan this past year, we heard variations on this question posed, on campus and beyond. But we have chosen otherwise, and for sound, indeed compelling reasons. Over the last three years, the size of the applicant pool has increased by more than 10 percent, and its quality has deepened. Our "yield" (the percentage of those offered admission who choose to matriculate) jumped from 39 percent for the Class of 1998 to 45 percent for the Class of 1999. More, and better, students want to come to Middlebury.

At the same time, because we are a dynamic place where good ideas abound, the realities of "steady state"—no addition without subtraction—hold little charm. Moreover, surveys of alumni and parents have produced long lists of things the College ought to consider doing and few suggestions of things we should cease to do. And the reaction to my statement of vision for Middlebury, which sought to establish a set of priorities and initiatives for the coming decade, has been warmly embraced.

With things we want to do, with new levels of excellence we want to achieve, and with more students and families perceiving a value in the educational experience we offer, the Board has embarked upon a bold, and appropriate, direction for the

College. We seek, over the next 10 years, to strengthen our "peaks" of academic distinction—in language, literature, international studies, and environmental studies; to increase "applied" opportunities for our students; to reinforce the bedrock of our academic offerings by pursuing an ambitious facilities plan; and, as a result, to make Middlebury the "college of the future."

We propose to accomplish these goals by continuing the impressive rate of endowment growth (and a prudent level of endowment spending), by carrying out a successful capital campaign, by pursuing entrepreneurial ventures, and by increasing gradually, over 10 years and only *after* the infrastructural requirements are in place, the size of the student body to 2,350.

The growth in enrollment is a means to an end, not an end in itself. The end is the creation of an appropriate critical mass of students that will enable us to deepen, not broaden, our academic programs. We propose no new departments or majors. We do propose the addition of up to 30 new faculty, carefully chosen, whose presence will enhance, by deepening, the programs we now offer.

With size, we believe, will come greater strength and distinction. It is impossible to study the College's history and conclude otherwise. Yet with growth, the essential nature of the College has been preserved over the decades. That nature, so central a part of what alumni treasure, derives in living memory from enrollments as small as 500 and as large as 2,174.

And, if further witness be needed, let us return to the Class of 1995, larger than the largest class projected at any point in the next 10 years, and in its extraordinary promise all the evidence we should ever need that, with growth, the future of this College is very bright indeed. ■

Board of Trustees Meeting—May 1995

"A bold, ambitious, and attainable agenda"

At its May meeting, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to set in motion a plan that projects the shape and dimensions of the College for the year 2004. Central to the plan are strategic enhancements to the quality of faculty and facilities so as to attract the very best students from America and overseas. By adding up to 30 additional faculty members Middlebury will deepen its academic offerings and also allow a 20 percent expansion of the student body to 2,350. The enrollment growth will be phased over a 10-year period to insure an orderly expansion of academic and residential facilities to accommodate an enlarged community of students and teachers.

A detailed financial plan assisted the Board in its deliberations; its objectives include optimizing the return on endowment assets, reducing increases in the comprehensive fee to track inflation, and the successful completion of a capital campaign to launch the College's bicentennial celebration.

The Board's resolution about the plan and its goals speaks of "a bold, ambitious, and attainable agenda . . . a sense of momentum, excitement, and improvement." In accepting the challenge, the Middlebury community affirms the Board's commitment: "We take up our task with purpose and singleness of heart."

Challenging others to step forward

As if to echo the Board's determination, trustee Betty Ashbury Jones, M.A. '86 (French School), and her husband, David A. Jones, pledged $5 million in support of the Language Schools and associated programs. This gift by the Jones family and friends is contingent upon raising two gift commitments of similar dimension. Secretary of the Board Patricia Judah Palmer '57 spoke of this, the largest pledge ever received by Middlebury, as "a thrilling challenge to the College as we organize our fund-raising efforts to accomplish our plan." Excitement over this news had barely subsided when a second, anonymous trustee pledge of $1 million was announced.

New Roles for a New Agenda

Helping the College prepare for this new era of growth will be some familiar faces in new roles. In advance of the rigorous duties these new plans present, President McCardell, as if to remind us all that the life of the mind matters most at Middlebury, will take a five-month leave to complete his research on nineteenth-century Southern poet W. Gilmore Simms. **Edward C. Knox**, professor of French and vice president for academic affairs, will serve as acting president during his absence. **John P. McWilliams, Jr.,** Abernethy Professor of American Literature and Civilization, will become vice president for academic affairs. **Ronald D. Liebowitz**, professor of geography and dean of the faculty, has been promoted to vice president of the College with responsibility as chief operating officer. **Marc Riess**, professor of psychology, is the new dean of the faculty. During the appointment of political science professor **Eric L. Davis** as chief information officer for the College, his duties as dean for instructional resources will be assumed by **C. Randall Landgren**, professor of biology. **Michael D. Schoenfeld**, formerly in development, has been tapped to direct enrollment planning in this new period of growth, and **John E. Hanson** will lead the Admissions Office. ■

Letters

Wal-Mart—Fighting over Aesthetics?

I read with interest Ron Powers' article. I agree with him that these artifacts of "flatland" will besmirch the economy, ecology, and ethos of Vermont. However, the question is whose economy, whose ecology, and whose ethos? The landscape of the state has undergone many more serious transitions than the shadow of a Wal-Mart or a casino, and most have been funded by "outsiders." We start with the extirpation of the native populations and the expropriation of their lands by Euro-Americans. Next, all the trees were cut down as fields ran to the tops of local peaks. I have seen potato patches at the top of Owl's Head in Dorset Hollow in northern Bennington County. Sometime after the first clearing, the mining industry started up and there were active quarries and mines on every geologic substrate. Most of these are in locations that are today illegal, and all were left unreclaimed except by the passage of time and the growth of birch on the spoil piles. All this time the towns grew and dumped their sewage into the rivers.

Well, you get the picture—there has always been massive landscape change working on the land. The casino will go broke—most of them have—and its place taken by some other use that can occupy an old resort site. Yes, it is a question of values—but let us be clear—we don't like Wal-Mart and casinos because they do not fit our image of the place. So, we are fighting over aesthetics. If these uses come in and do not degrade the environmental quality or the landscape quality or the quality of life, then where are we? There are designers who can make them ecologically compatible. What would happen if Ron Powers applied his criticism to the campus landscape? Do we have the proverbial "machine in the garden"?

Jon Berger '67
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Post-casino Stress Syndrome

I can see it now. Somewhere west of Orlando a thousand orange trees bulldozed to make way for "Vermont USA." A quaint life-size village. An inn on the green, an ice cream parlor by a waterfall, a college on the hill. Computerized animated farmers tapping plastic maple trees. Woody Jackson cows all over the place. Come see America as it used to be. Ron Powers (Spring issue) confirms that the "losangelesation" of Vermont is proceeding, although more slowly than in most states, and that the Vermont we once knew as Middlebury students lives only on Christmas cards and in our memories.

Particularly disturbing is his report on the proposed casino in the state's southwestern corner. If Vermonters think this will solve all their economic problems, they should come take a look at the substandard housing, unemployment, crime, and corruption that has characterized post-casino Atlantic City.

People who love Vermont for its mountain and rural scenery would be in for a shock and might never return. Anyone who has driven south from Middlebury on Route 7 knows that the downhill grade from Pownal Center offers one of the most spectacular views in New England. To dump into this beautiful valley a mini-Vegas with its clutter of motels, condos, and all the commercial support services that surround casinos would be an aesthetic and ecological atrocity.

Since it would be our gambling money expected to help balance Vermont's budget, we outlanders have a right to voice our opinions on the casino. Last year, it was mostly people from *outside* Virginia who chased Disney away from the historic Manassas battleground.

So, Ron Powers, where do we sign up to protest?

Marshall Sewell, Jr., '37
Whiting, NJ

Training Peacekeepers

I noted with keen interest fellow classmate Phil Oldham's piece on his work with Catholic Relief Services in Sarajevo. I'm encouraged to see good people making a concerted attempt to provide even a smidgeon of hope in a war-torn land.

This summer on my break from law school I find myself playing a very minor role in the education of what goes on in these war-torn places. For a few months I'll be preparing materials for discussions as part of a course on "Myths and Reality: The Legal Framework of Modern Peacekeeping." An old army base in Nova Scotia

will house the new Pearson Peacekeeping Centre for the purpose of training leaders of organizations involved in "peacekeeping" worldwide.

Humanitarian law is in a period of great change as the United Nations seeks a role to play in conflicts throughout the world. The U.N. Security Council plays an influential role in determining how best to carry out its mandate of maintaining global peace and security. They must balance this goal with the U.N. Charter principle of nonintervention in domestic affairs. The efforts in the former Yugoslavia and Rwanda to set up war crimes tribunals signal the international intolerance toward the acts of hatred and violence. While the despair continues, there are obvious lessons to learn about the need for more concerted international cooperation to prevent the escalation of animosities. Tribunals may afford a small sense of justice but do not address the deep roots of conflict.

Lisa Van Buren '90
Halifax, Canada

Fresh Air

In addition to your *inspired* choice of cover, I enjoyed feeling a fresh breeze fluttering the pages of the Spring '95 issue of *Middlebury Magazine*. There's a wide choice of subject; vivid, funny but not less relevant. A freedom of style not markedly evident since our alumni magazine was renamed the College magazine—often a vehicle for college P.R. "The Old Midd Spirit" lives!

Dottie Laux O'Brien '45
(the golden class this year)
Manchester Village, VT

Humor, Variety, Heinrichs—Good Stuff

Great articles in this issue—good humor, great variety. McCardell was up to snuff; Jay Heinrichs' "Approaching the Grand Union"—terrific! Brought back so vividly similar reactions we had in our Midd years 50 plus years ago. Please inform Jay Heinrichs that many, many Midd alums got a big kick out of his contribution. Bits and I read every article with much joy. Truly good stuff.

Don '38 and Bits Westin '36
Naples, FL

Memories Not Always Sweet

I had a bittersweet reaction to Jay Heinrichs' delightful piece, "Approaching the Grand Union." I graduated only four years earlier than he did, and do have some similar memories—even an epiphany or two. My favorite high drama professorial memory is Pardon Tillinghast's famous "Warming Pan Baby" lecture on the Stuart succession. But my experience as a female was different from Mr. Heinrichs'. When I arrived at Middlebury in the fall of 1969, Forest Hall was a senior women's dorm and was still being called "Menopause Manor."

Illustration by C. Fisher

Women of 22 who didn't have steady boyfriends or plans to marry after graduation were pitied. I did have one female professor of note, the extraordinary Marjorie Lamberti, but the rest were, like Heinrichs' teachers, male. The light sexual undertone of several of Heinrichs' memories was there for me, too, and I did not understand why I often felt uncomfortable or discounted—the understanding took many years, plus a whole new societal awareness and the vocabulary that goes with it.

Times change, people and institutions can grow and remake themselves. Middlebury now has a Women's Studies Program, and, in response to a strongly felt need, has established the Chellis Women's Center on campus. This center was set up through the hard work of women faculty and students, and with the generosity of the Chellis family. With the organizing and encouragement of Molly McKitterick, a group of Class of '73 women have made donations to the Chellis Women's Center. My family's donation is my first to Middlebury College in 20 years, and it felt good. My husband's reunion is this spring (Michael Dworkin '75), and I am looking forward to visiting the Center when we're there in June. I'm very glad it is there now, and only wish we'd all known how much it was needed 25 years ago.

One regret? When we're at Middlebury this spring, I won't be able to show our kids the magical, three-story tree house built way up in a giant elm out past the golf course. I remember warm afternoons high (!) among the leaves and birds, sitting out on the third-floor roof, and moonlit hikes in the winter, crunching across the glittering snow, with the lights from the tree house as a beacon in the night.

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Slight of Hände

On page 9 of the Spring '95 issue the cartoon character cries, *"Hande hoch, oder ich schiesse."* Better edititorial oversight is called for, especially since Middlebury is well-known for its language teaching. The quote should read *"Hände hoch."* Yours for error-free German.

Clifton H. Ewing
Longmont, CO

Lacking their umlauts, our Händes *were slightly subpar. In the future all* Händes *will be decked with their rightful accents.—ed.*

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From Clip Girl to Columnist

Jane Bryant Quinn '60 overcomes the gender handicap

By Charles Smith

The Mexican economy is in critical condition, the financial equivalent of a broken and bleeding trauma patient in a frantic scene from "E.R." The value of the peso is dropping like a crash victim's vital signs and chaos grips the world's money markets as investors feel the fear. Sixteen stories above Manhattan's rush-hour traffic, in her *Newsweek* office just south of Columbus Circle, Jane Bryant Quinn is putting it all into perspective for readers of her personal finance column. She is also kissing her weekend good-bye.

Quinn leans forward to peruse an e-mail message from her editor. She sighs. "He always wants me to add things, and I'm 15 lines long as it is." She glowers thoughtfully at the screen. How to work this? It's never just a matter of lopping off the last couple of paragraphs to make the thing fit. She wants to write it tighter, to keep all the information in there, but wrap it in a neater, more compact bundle of prose. She can't go home until she's satisfied that she's got it right.

Two days ago, Quinn thought she was finished with her week's work at the magazine. Then the editors decided that Mexico's fiscal woes demanded a special section, and suddenly it was time to toss everything aside and start from scratch. "I had my *Newsweek* column all neatly planned. I wrote it Tuesday and Wednesday, and then Wednesday afternoon I am pulled into the special Mexico package. What I had planned to do Thursday and Friday goes out the window, and that winds up getting done Saturday and Sunday instead, so I don't get my weekend. And it goes like that. I do too much, I'm overcommitted, I take on too many obligations, I work too late."

Jane Bryant Quinn covered the emerging consumer movement before tackling financial journalism.

Photograph by Shel Secunda

Is she grousing about her jam-packed schedule, or is she reveling in it? A little of both, really.

This deadline-ridden existence is the life she sought for herself. "I wanted to be a journalist since I was 14 or 15," she recalls. "After I went through my Nancy Drew stage and my Cherry Ames, student nurse, stage, then I wanted to be a journalist. I think it was probably Brenda Starr—great-looking woman, got the best-looking man, and lived a very exciting life. I think that was my model.

"The question arises, of course, why I went to Middlebury since it didn't even have a journalism program. But I went to Middlebury because of all those irrational reasons that people pick their colleges. It was a great-looking campus, I thought I wanted to ski, I wanted a small New England college. And it served me very well. Of all the best journalists I know, hardly any of them have been to J-school. They're people who studied history and philosophy and literature and sociology and economics and politics. So they came into the profession with a well-furnished mind. I call myself a testament to the value of a liberal arts education. I majored in American literature. I took one course in economics, thank God, from D.K. Smith and so managed to learn the vocabulary, so that when I was turned loose into a business journalism environment, I could bluff my way through until I learned what I was doing."

> *"At* Newsweek, *men were men and bright young girls sorted the mail."*

While she was laying the liberal arts foundation for her journalism career, she was also on the lookout for opportunities to get ink on her fingers. "I worked for the campus newspaper, I think, two years. But at that point I was more interested in the yearbook, which was analogous to magazine writing, which I was always interested in more than newspaper writing. I became the editor of the yearbook."

Summers, she worked for her hometown daily in upstate New York, the *Niagara Falls Gazette*. "Of course, as a college kid working summers I didn't exactly get the hot stories," she admits. "What are the prices in the markets? What are they selling eggs for this morning? Nevertheless, you had to go out and meet a deadline, do a story, all that sort of thing." Describing her summer job at the *Gazette* as "my apprenticeship," she explains, "Journalism is a craft. To learn journalism you apprentice yourself the way a carpenter is apprenticed. Sitting in some small hole and getting things wrong and having someone yell at you until you get them right. That's apprenticeship. Learning to conquer phone fright, learning to find phone numbers, learning to ask rude questions, learning not to write around holes in your story but to go and fill in the holes. These are the things that you learn under the hand of an editor who doesn't let you get away with anything."

Three and a half decades ago, armed with those practical newsroom lessons, as well as her American lit degree and a Phi Beta Kappa key, she arrived in New York City, determined to make her way in a profession that was still, for the most part, an all-boy show. "We're talking 1960," she says with a tart edge to her voice. "So we are talking before they passed the 1964 equal pay act that said that despite my physical handicap I was entitled to work and be paid like men. In 1960 when you opened the *New York Times* and you were looking for a job, on one side it said 'men's jobs' and on the other side it said 'women's jobs.' And that's the way it was. A woman in those days could not be a writer in mainstream journalism except in food or fashion. I am not fashionable and I don't know basil from oregano."

She and her physical handicap got an entry-level job at *Newsweek*, where men were men and bright young girls sorted the mail. There was probably not an editor on the staff at that time who saw this particular bright young girl as a likely prospect to invade the magazine's male turf and worry her pretty head about guy subjects like investment planning and money management. "I was on the mail desk," she says. "Then I moved up to the clip desk. That's where you rip the newspapers for stories that might interest editors. And I am telling my fellow girls on the clip desk that I certainly hope I will be a writer at *Newsweek* and that's what I'm aiming for, and everybody laughs at me and says, 'Jane, you jerk, look around.' I looked around and the men were writers and the women were researchers. Now, researcher is a noble and honorable and desirable occupation. I don't know what I would do without good researchers. But it's a different occupation. In those days you were not allowed to be a writer if you were female. So I decided that I'd look around for something else, and I moved out to the fringes of journalism."

Let's define "fringes." She didn't start doing alien encounter stories for some supermarket tabloid; she joined the staff of a newsletter published by *Look* magazine. Newsletters were different enough from magazines, far enough off the beaten track, that they actually offered opportunities for bright young girls to work as bright young writers. "On the fringes of journalism," Quinn says, "one could work despite one's handicap because it was not highly sought-after work and the talented people wanted to be in the mainstream. So I worked on the fringe on this newsletter."

Not that she had suddenly stumbled upon a brave new world of gender equality. A woman could do a man's

work at the *Look* newsletter, but she could expect only 70 percent of a man's paycheck. "When I asked what this job paid, they said, 'Well, we pay our men X amount and you're a woman, so we apply the women's discount, 30 percent.' That was it."

Discounted by nearly one-third, she started her professional writing career. "The newsletter had two sections," she says. "There was a section for men, which was business and politics. And there was a section for women, which was everything else and was really the most exciting and interesting part of the newsletter.

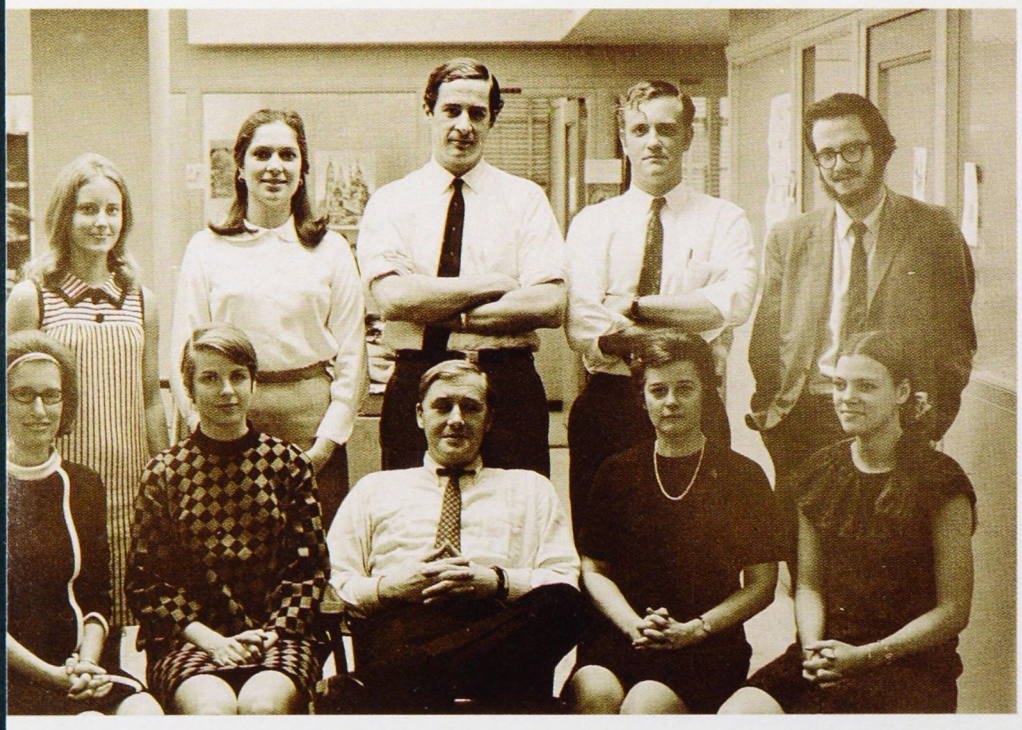
"We were covering what became the consumer movement. Ralph Nader was a freelancer for us. It was before he wrote *Unsafe at Any Speed*. We had a whole nest of people. It was just an enormous struggle between business and consumers. The kind of struggle that younger readers are more used to if they think of the struggle for the environmental laws, say. Back then, it was the struggle for all the basic consumer laws that we take for granted nowadays. The republic would come to an end if you had truth in lending or truth in packaging. And I fell into this wonderful nest of covering this stuff. I did truth in lending, the push for truth in insurance pricing, which is the one remaining thing on the agenda 30 years later that has *still* not been passed. They passed truth in savings three years ago, so that took about 27 years. Truth in insurance may take another 30 years, though, so it's the one I keep pounding away at still.

"I started doing the things having to do with money because I was the lowest on the totem pole and no one else wanted to do it. And I found out I loved it. I thought they were fascinating stories, and I just kind of kept on doing them because I found them extremely interesting. It started from there as far as my involvement in financial journalism was concerned."

Over the next few years, she rose to become editor of the newsletter's women's section. By the time *Look* folded and the newsletter went out of business, she had established a bit of a name for herself as a journalist who knew her way around money matters. She wasn't able to cash in on her expertise right away, but after a year of laboring miserably as a book editor ("rewriting terribly written books by famous bylines, the worst year that I've spent in my professional life") she got a call from *Business Week* magazine. "They wanted to start a personal finance newsletter and they had heard that I had run a successful newsletter for *Look*."

It was 1968 and things were looking better for women in journalism than they had at the start of the decade. (For one thing, employers, mindful of changes in the law, were no longer so open and unabashed about their unequal pay policies. As Quinn puts it, "They stopped saying, 'The women's discount, 30 percent.' They didn't stop paying it, they just stopped saying it.") Despite some improvement in the climate, though, Quinn quickly discovered that McGraw-Hill, the publishing company that owned *Business Week*, was a long way from being an ink-stained feminist utopia. "They hired me for what was then a man's job, for which I am eternally grateful. But they asked me, with slight shame on their faces, if I would mind going by my initials so no one would know, because a woman's byline on a business story down-valued the story. So I was J.B. Quinn." She went along with that request—on the condition that her whole staff at the newsletter, male and female, also be identified by their initials. It was only a matter of time before her new employer's gender attitudes spurred her departure from McGraw-Hill.

J.B. spent three years editing the *Business Week* newsletter before she discovered that there was a McGraw-



Jane Bryant Quinn (bottom row, second from left) with former colleagues, including Cokie Roberts (bottom row, far right)

Hill editors' luncheon club to which she was not being invited. "They said, 'Oh, well, we thought you reported to another editor, ha, ha, ha.' I mean, the luncheon club was dead boring, but it was a status thing and I was really sore." Two years later, when they promoted her to the publisher's job at the newsletter and froze her out of an even higher status luncheon club, she got sore enough to quit on them.

"A woman in those days could not be a writer in mainstream journalism except in food or fashion. I am not fashionable and I don't know basil from oregano."

At first, she was thrilled with the promotion. "I was running that newsletter and developing new newsletters. I loved my job." So much so that when the *Washington Post* called to offer her a syndicated column, she turned it down. "I said no because I was having such great fun with what I was doing." Then she found out there was going to be some stickiness about the title that went with her new position. The company had instituted a new policy, her boss told her. From now on, only the executives who headed magazines would be called publishers; those who ran newsletters would be known as general managers. "I thought about that for 48 hours, and I called the *Washington Post* and said, 'Do you still want me?' Because McGraw-Hill was basically telling me it didn't.

"I left, I was replaced by a man. For 10 cents, his title please?" (Hint: not general manager.) "Beginning and end of the new policy at McGraw-Hill. Isn't that stupid? Isn't that the dumbest thing you ever heard? It kept me out of the publishers' luncheon club, and it also propelled me out the door at McGraw-Hill.

"It was a pretty scary decision, but it was the right thing to do because clearly they didn't know what to do with me. The glass ceiling was a lot lower than it is today, I'll tell you that. And they didn't know how to treat you. In a way, I felt sorry for them. The first time I went to an annual budget meeting, the president of the division when I walked in leaped to his feet and said, 'Oh, Jane, can I get you a sandwich?' He responded socially to me, and of course I was miserably embarrassed. Men hadn't figured out that a woman was a colleague, so they responded to you socially, and that means you made them feel very uncomfortable when you were around. It didn't matter about your ability. They just felt uncomfortable."

Truthfully, Quinn didn't feel altogether comfortable herself about leaving the security of a regular job for the iffy life of a freelance writer with an untried column distributed through what was then a brand new syndicate. "At this point I was married, I had two kids, my paycheck was important to the family, I was carrying the health insurance." Today she can look back and declare with a gesture that takes in not only her *Newsweek* office but her entire writing career, "It was the best thing that ever happened to me because, of course, it led to all this." At the time, however, all she was sure of was that she was going to have to hustle in her new role. "For three or four years it was not clear that this *Washington Post* syndicate column would succeed. I started a column for *Women's Day* at the time, which was nice because that was a regular check. And I was freelancing for *New York Magazine*, and I was doing *Forbes*. I was doing a lot of freelancing to try to keep it all together."

Then in 1978, five years after her decision to leave McGraw-Hill, nearly two decades after she started her mail desk job, *Newsweek* called. This time, what they had in mind for her was a little more than sorting envelopes, clipping newspaper stories, and watching from the sidelines while the boys did journalism. "They had had a Wall Street columnist for years," Quinn explains. "And when he retired, they decided they needed something broader than Wall Street." She accepted the offer to start a personal finance column for *Newsweek* and the rest is—well, in the interest of shunning cliché, the rest is American literature.

She's still got those pesky 15 lines to cut from next week's column. She's still wrestling with the challenge of fitting even more information into even less space. But as she turns away from her computer screen and looks around the office where she works too long and too hard, she is feeling pretty content about the destination to which her somewhat circuitous career path has brought her. "There's a tremendous amount of freedom to being a columnist," she says, "which I think is one of the best jobs in journalism. You can see anything that appeals to your curiosity and follow it. Anything I can drag into a money beat I can cover. There are a million stories out there. It's not a bad world to live in." ■

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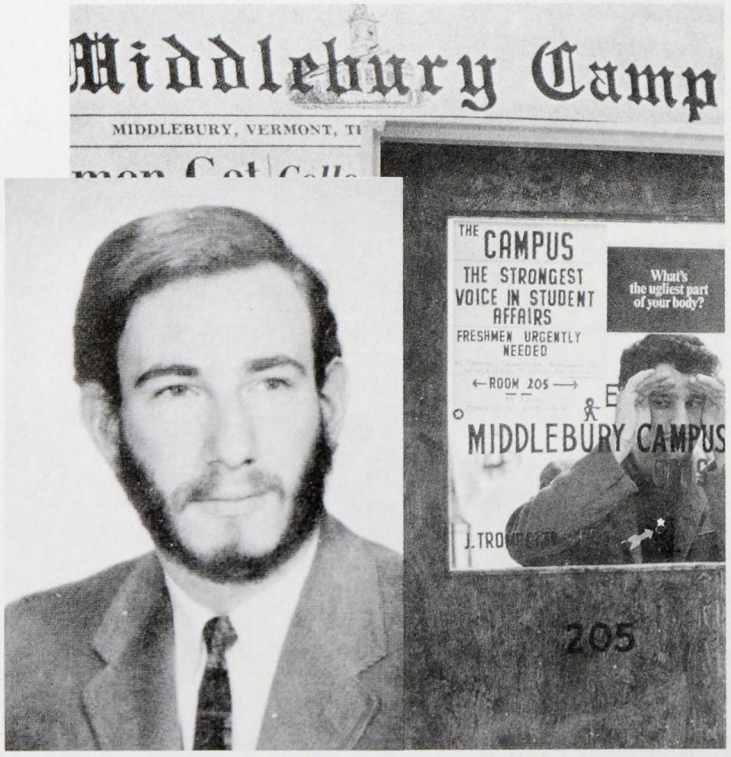
Get Back to Where You Once Belonged

by Peter Knobler '68

I remember being extremely happy to get out of Middlebury. In 1965 Middlebury, in all its splendid isolation, threw the Crystals off campus for lewd behavior on-stage at Junior Weekend. If memory serves, they were doing the frug. Fourteen months later Jimi Hendrix showed up as a sideman for King Curtis at what I recall as a KDR barn dance. These were the cultural highlights, for me, of my four years there.

Middlebury in the mid-sixties was still in an Eisenhower time warp. There couldn't have been half a dozen black people on campus when I arrived. It seemed like the entire campus was filled with blonds. They roomed me and Eddie Goldberg together and must have figured we'd hold services. The key words were *in loco parentis*; they locked the freshmen women in their dorm at 10 p.m. If you cut three classes per semester, you flunked the course, the educational equivalent of the equally misguided legal policy "three strikes and you're out." When I called my Spanish professor to get dispensation for missing a couple of classes because several students and I were leaving that night and driving from Middlebury to Montgomery, Alabama, to march with Martin Luther King, Jr., she told me, "I think you should look after yourself and your studies first." I went anyway.



I was a member of Theta Chi, the fraternity that used its ceremonial robes for motorcycle rags. We were the guys who used the campus as a mail drop for our shoe boxes of California pot. Leather jackets, hot sports cars, romantic poetry seminars. People used to think they were insulting us when they would say, "Read a few books, been a few places . . . Theta Chi." We had our own life off campus and we really lived it. What we were was Not Middlebury.

After a year in Columbia University's writing program, I got a job editing *Crawdaddy*, a generational magazine, "the first magazine to take rock and roll seriously," and was professionally young for the next decade. I figured the revolution would have a soundtrack and I would pick the cuts. Clearly, the revolution never came, but the music moved in the right direction for a while. *Crawdaddy* discovered Bruce Springsteen, fought Richard Nixon, tried to keep the spirit alive. We were very Seventies. It was the second stage of the Golden Age of Rock & Roll, I was young, sex wouldn't kill you. I wouldn't mind doing it all again.

I now collaborate with celebrities on their autobiographies. The hope that the stories I tell will move people to thought and action is as constant now as it was when I was writing for the *Campus* 27 years ago. If I expect less in the way of immediate results now than I did then, it's because, of course, as I didn't truly believe in 1968, change takes time. We're in it for the long haul.

My 25th class reunion came and went, but I wasn't the most social person in the world while I was in school, and I figured none of my friends were the type to show up either. But when the call went out for a Theta Chi reunion the next year, I couldn't miss it.

Eddie Goldberg and I drove up together. We are still in touch. I'd been to his kid's bar mitzvah, he was at my son's briss. I was grousing all the way about what a rotten place Middlebury had been and he said, "I had a great time."

"No . . . !"

"Are you kidding? All-nighters, the Alibi, Cubeta's

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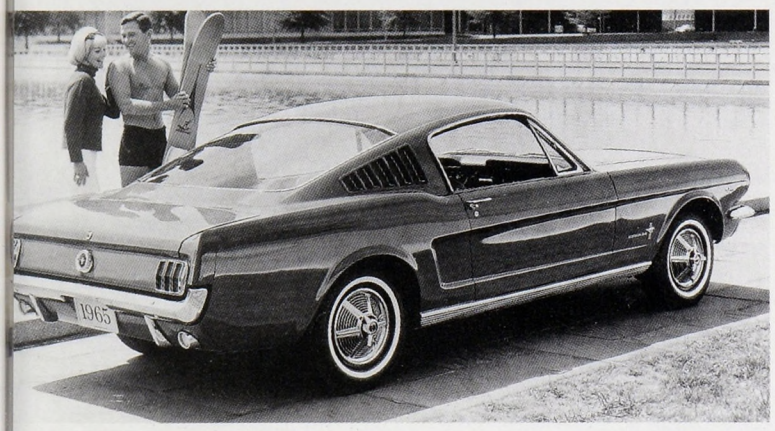

Shakespeare course. We could do anything we wanted. When has that ever happened again? It was great!"

When we reached campus, it was a clear, crisp, shirt-sleeve October Saturday afternoon. Theta Chi had fallen under the weight of its own anarchy and disbanded in the early seventies. The old fraternity house, next door to the Middlebury Inn, was being renovated when Goldie and I poked our faces against the glass and looked inside. It had the sheetrock efficiency of a real estate firm or a dentist's office.

We walked across campus from Stewart, past Old Chapel and the new arts center to the football field. The place was still filled with blonds. It was Homecoming Weekend, so there were a lot of old folks around, too, people who looked ancient and had probably graduated only five or ten years after we did. I had to admit it, I'd been so busy kicking at the ground that I had neglected to look at the sky. The Green Mountains, the stone buildings, the absolute quiet—the place was beautiful.

That night the veterans of Theta Chi gathered and compared scars. There were a couple of legends—upperclassmen when I was a sophomore—I was very curious to see. These were my idols, names you invoked with awe, the guys who tuned their semi-muffled cycles indoors while a Byrds single—"It Won't Be Wrong!"—played over and over at high decibels on the KLH portable. Not that I'd really gotten to know them. I was 19 and a boy, they were 21 and men. I was fully focused on smashing the state, but age meant more to me than perhaps it should have and I stood on ceremony; I figured I'd let the seniors take the first shot. Now, here they were.

Bill Burke still looked cool. He'd been the picture of laconic intensity in 1966 and he hadn't lost it. I walked over and had put out my hand to introduce myself when he said, "Peter!" I was astonished.

When I'd gotten to be 21, I'd noticed a couple of underclassmen staring; it had felt good and I'd made a point of making friends. They were there, too, and I couldn't have been happier. About two dozen guys showed up, most of whom had aged without actually growing old. Some it seemed as if I'd never met, others were immediately recognizable. We had our share of musicians and carpenters and financial analysts and attorneys. Some brought wives or girlfriends, and some of the girls we'd hung around with 25 years ago showed up, too, grown into women as we'd grown into men. It was wonderful to see them all. None of us had shaken the world—no Nobel laureates or mad bombers—but a good number had added substantially to it.

College, when you're in it, seems eternal, but it's only four years. Four years goes by now between bites of a sandwich. Theta Chi being Theta Chi, there has been a reunion hiatus of one year and counting. But I will be happy whenever the call comes, and I'll be glad to be back on campus again. ■

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Peter Knobler '68, pictured far left "then," recently collaborated with James Carville and Mary Matalin on the best-selling political memoir All's Fair. *He is editor of* Very Seventies: A Cultural History of the 1970s, *published this spring.*

"My Passion for Teaching"

Murray Dry climbs every mountain

Murray Dry began his address, titled "My Vocation," with a dry quip to the audience assembled last November to witness his inauguration as Charles A. Dana Professor of Political Science. He held up a sign publicizing the event that had been marked with graffiti. "For those of you who came to hear me talk about my vacation," he said, "I won't be discussing my golf game or our family's trip to the coast of Maine. Rather I am going to talk about my vocation as a teacher. . . . Odd as it may seem to some of you, for me teaching is an activity of leisure rather than work, so I think of it more as my vocation rather than as my occupation. . . .

"In a certain sense, my teaching activity involves leading new students up the same large mountains year in year out. So, a reasoned account of my passion for teaching must include a defense of climbing many of the same mountains every year.

"Teaching for me involves inquiry into the nature of those things that concern us as human beings and citizens. It is more a matter of 'looking at' than learning 'how to do.' In that sense, it is more theoretical than practical, giving rise to the oft quoted adage, 'Those who can do, and those who can't teach.' But do those who 'do' know what they are doing? Of course, if there is a shortcut to finding out what you need to know, why take the longer way? On the other hand, if the pursuit of the truth is defensible as a lifelong inquiry, then the case for theory is made. . . . the case for theory and the case for practice."

Dry often incorporates this principle in his own classes. He describes the time he was teaching a Bill of Rights course. When they studied John Stuart Mill, Dry discovered that his students were nearly all Millians: "They thought free speech an unimpeachable good." But one day he came into class and found an intense discussion going on about a particular column appearing in the *Campus*.

"That morning I had read the essay and recognized it to be thoughtful, well-written, and well-argued in support of a politically incorrect position. Advocating tolerance of homosexuality in the spirit of liberty, Kevin Marshall, author of a regular column, The Gadfly, in the *Campus*, nonetheless drew on his understanding of Christian natural law to argue that the practice was contrary to nature and thus deserved disapprobation. Thinking this topic worthy of some general discussion, I invited those who had been speaking among themselves to speak to the class as a whole. And did they ever! It soon became apparent that the opposition was strong in number and in spirit. Moreover, some of our most vocal Millians, such as John Sherman, April Paris, and Elise Bergelson, expressed the view that Mr. Marshall's act of writing and publishing the essay was immoral.

"'This was very interesting,' I said. Had the author written the equivalent of 'corn dealers are starvers of the poor' and distributed it to starving poor? I had some success in getting the critics to accept a distinction between their disapproval of the argument and a judgment that the act of publication was immoral. At a certain point Miss Paris came to Mr. Marshall's defense on the matter of the appropriateness of his publishing, which I thought spoke well of her ability to detach herself from the politics of the issue. After a while Miss Bergelson, a very fine student who is off to medical school next year, was ready to cry 'uncle'; but I was not ready to accept her surrender.

"As I think about that wonderful class now, it may be that we would have done just as well turning back to the assigned cases. But I was passionately involved in trying to draw a lesson out of this spontaneous event. . . . I wanted my students to note and reflect on their inconsistency: supporters of Mill's principle one day, and the next, ready to condemn their fellow student who had dared to express an opinion contrary to theirs on a controversial topic. What happened to that confidence that truth wins out in the marketplace of ideas? The spirited moralizing which often accompanies disagreements with others on things that matter to us suggests a problem

Murray P. Dry, Charles A. Dana Professor of Political Science, has been teaching at Middlebury since 1968.

with Mill's argument. The thoughtful and powerful expression of controversial ideas can be upsetting, all the more so if they cannot simply be dismissed as ranting. Perhaps my students were led to reconsider the adequacy of Mill's argument and perhaps, in addition, they were led back to Plato. I hope so."

During another class, when noting an inconsistent argument in an edition of Abraham Lincoln's speeches, Dry asked: "'Did Lincoln not know how to write a coherent statement of his own position?' We must consider everything, but the students generally doubted that was so. 'What was left,' I asked, I yelled at them, 'WHAT OTHER POSSIBILITY IS THERE?' Finally, Dick Hackett, a Vermonter who studied diligently and whose mind was open to strange things, blurted out as a final guess, 'Is it a typo?' 'YES!' I thundered." Thus the students learned the importance of original sources.

"Both experience and reflection suggest that there is something noble about participating with one's peers in the activities of deliberation and choice, especially with respect to the right action for a community. The practical challenges will change and some actions might be necessary but not otherwise noble. Furthermore, many of the things that we will need to know we will also need to, and want to, forget, once the occasion for knowing them has passed. One lawyer called this the bathtub theory of knowledge: fill your mind up with every detail of the case, work the details, master them, and after it's over, pull the plug and go on to the next challenge.

"But the life of the mind in the form of a study of great books and other reasoned arguments involves inquiry into topics and questions of enduring importance; we do not need to pull the plug on Plato or Bacon and we do not want to. By studying these thinkers and others like them with care, we can take delight in attaining truth about things.

"What can I say? I love to reclimb the mountains to examine the views they provide. These views may not go beyond understanding the fundamental alternatives, as we approach the highest questions. But some grasp of these matters is much better than none at all. And while we may not be certain which mountain is higher, Plato's, Bacon's, Kant's, or Nietzsche's, we will know the difference between those few grand inexhaustible mountains and the hills, to say nothing of the molehills that stand for unexamined opinions and assertions." ■

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ALL HANDS ON DECK

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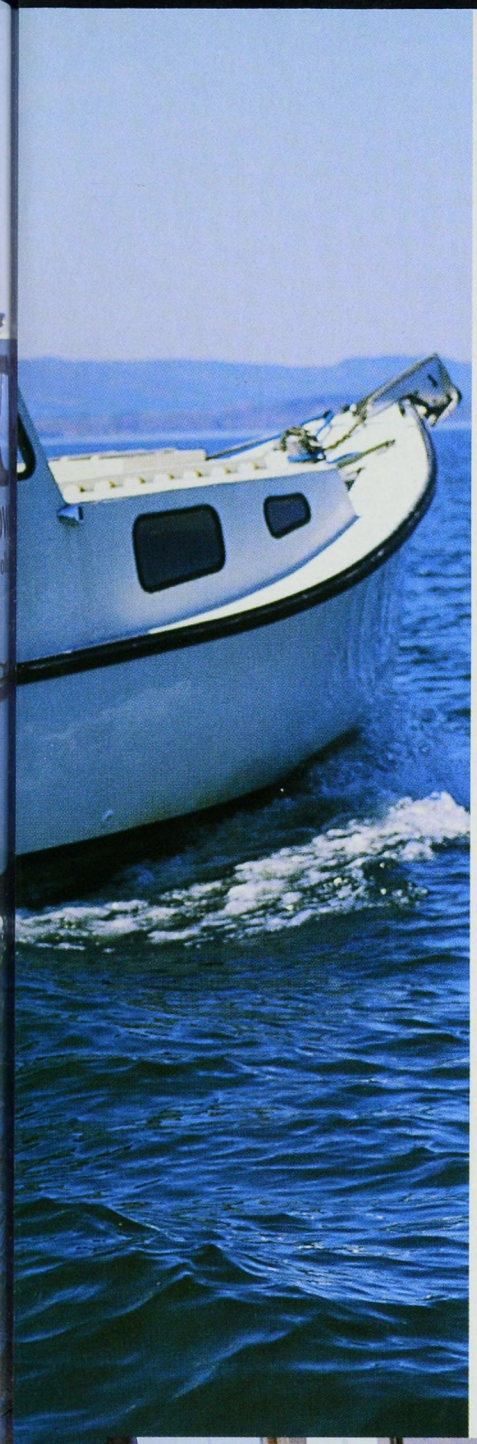


Students plunge into hands-on research aboard the *Baldwin*

By Cynthia Baughman

"Give me some slack on the rope." Three young men, leaning backwards as counterweights in a tug of war against a piece of equipment, let the inch-round rope move slowly through their hands.

"Give me a lot of slack on the quarter-inch." The wire cable unwinds slowly from the hydraulic winch.

"She's armed."

The students look at the fins of the piston corer as it dangles like an upside-down rocket from the pulley suspended off the end of the boat. A careful series of manuevers has produced this moment of balance before the drop, when gravity will speed the heavy metal cylinder down through the water and into the bed of Lake Champlain.

"If you do it right, you'll hear two bangs. You're looking for a double-whammy."

This is science at Middlebury, an excursion of the "Marine Geology" class aboard the R/V *Baldwin,* the College's 31-foot research vessel, which plies the surface of Lake Champlain while delving into the depths of that body of water and the fields of research such a boat makes possible. In the spring as soon as the ice melts, students move out to the water in conjunction with studying the geologic history of the oceans, marine sediments and sedimentary processes, and the state of the earth beneath the sea. They learn research techniques that can be studied only aboard such vessels as the *Baldwin,* as well as analyzing the information those techniques produce.

The sediments the class has pulled up during 1995's outings are some of the deepest cores yet obtained from Lake Champlain, and they reflect the different eras of the lake. "Before Lake Champlain, this was glacial Lake Vermont," explains Chris Dahl '96, a bearded, motorcycle-driving Alaskan. "After that, it was the salt water Champlain Sea." About 10,000 years ago, it became today's Lake Champlain. Chris points out that the sediment from each of these lake incarnations has a different look. The objective of the class is to obtain cores from the interface between the Lake Champlain and Champlain Sea sediments.

Chris, who works on his grandfather's fishing fleet during the summers and plans to fish commercially in the Aleutian Islands "at least for a few years" after he graduates from Middlebury, moves around the boat with confidence. Nevertheless, he includes himself when he says, "We look like a whole bunch of rookies here," in the early stages of the class outing.

Both the physical and the intellectual demands of science come into focus for students working on the R/V *Baldwin.*

The first core sample to surface is small, only a four-inch plug, which the students examine, touch, and name "the little core that could." "Feel that," says Seth Haines '97, holding in his hands the dark, wet, lake bottom sediment. Seth, in shorts on a cold afternoon above the lake water's 43 degrees Fahrenheit, is a joint geology/physics major from Maine, who is clearly suited to working in the cold. He's one of five students nationwide selected to do geophysics research on high resolution seismics next January in Antarctica aboard the R/V *Nathaniel B. Palmer.*

Seth holds out the mud plug to Chris Long '96, who finds it "sweet." Chris, who has already dipped his finger into the wet clay and painted his face in stripes that have dried to a greenish-gray color, loves speleology—"I love caving," he says, defining one of his favorite words. This summer he'll work as a ranger in Jewel Cave National Monument in South Dakota, doing field research as part of the hydrology program on the water aquifer that feeds eastern Wyoming, northern Nebraska, and nearly all of South Dakota. Chris plans to do his senior thesis on the Vermont cave system.

The Sea Otter underwater camera, operated by remote control, returns to the *Baldwin* after flying through Lake Champlain on its research mission.

Aaron Pearson, by contrast, prefers staying above ground. "I'm interested in what's going on on the surface," the junior notes. "Geomorphology—rivers and dirt," he translates. This summer, as part of the teacher education curriculum this Vermonter is doing in addition to his geology major, he'll teach in an inner city junior high in New York City for the last month of the public school year, and then teach in a field camp in upstate New York.

While Aaron characterizes the sediment sample as "chunky," Cindy Martinez '96 pronounces it "slimy." This military brat "from all over" is spending the summer in Cyprus studying the structure of ophiolite. Cindy is one of 11 university students (the only one from Middlebury) in the internship program sponsored by the Keck Consortium.

Whether chunky or slimy, Eric Simpson '95, a geology major from Massachusetts, declares, "These feel like Champlain sediments. I can tell." Eric won the John M. White '52 Memorial Award in 1995, given to the senior who had done outstanding work in the geology department during his Middlebury years.

Like his classmate Eric, Dan Pope also has a good sense of what he is seeing. Already moving into professional geology circles, Dan is going straight on to graduate school. He'll be working toward a Ph.D. in geodynamics at Penn State with a Middlebury alum, Kevin Furlong '75, on the faculty there. Furlong has previously hired Pope for research projects during several summers, as has alum Jill McCarthy '80 of the U.S. Geological Survey. Dan recently presented his thesis, in which he created a three-dimensional computer model of the San Francisco Bay area crust using tomography and calculating the structure of the earth based on the speed of earthquake tremors through it, at the national meeting of the American Geophysical Union and at the Northeast section meeting of the Geological Society of America.

The students ponder why their first attempt at the physical part of scientific research produced only a four-inch core sample. "Must not have built the corer right," concludes one.

"Was the seal tight enough?" questions another.

"Did we measure the depth of the water right?" asks a third.

"I want to hear a bang," demands another.

"We'll try again."

This time the students assemble their equipment in the tight space aboard the *Baldwin*. Again the corer drops. Bang. Again the winch hauls it back up to the surface. The students ignore the dirt the dripping hulk slops on the deck as they heft it aboard.

"The core catcher did its job. You can see the fingers all bent in."

The corer's plastic liner reveals a meter-long sample of slimy, brown, old and more recent sediment.

"That's awesome."

Middlebury bought the *Baldwin* in 1985, naming it in honor of Brewster Baldwin, a geology professor at the College for three decades who died in 1992. Now a research vessel, the boat was built in 1983 as a fiberglass lobster boat (for racing) by

Photograph by Alan Jakubek

"They've got equipment that shows where you are, where you've been, what's down there and how far down it is. You can get a picture of it or you can get a sample of it. I don't know what else you need."

Duffy & Duffy in Maine. A diesel engine replaced the dangerous gasoline engine promptly, and other refurbishments, funded by a National Science Foundation Instrumentation and Laboratory Improvement grant matched by the College, have brought the vessel to its present peak condition.

The equipment the students use under the direction of Patricia Manley, associate professor of geology, and Thomas Manley, visiting assistant professor in the same department, is state-of-the-art. Some of it functions continually. At the top of the mast, whether the boat is at anchor or out on the lake, is a meteorological station, measuring wind speed and direction, humidity, temperature, and barometric readings. The navigation equipment includes Loran-C; GPS (global positioning system); and soon differential GPS, which can pinpoint the boat's position within a few meters.

In the sonar department, precision depth recorders on three frequencies are aimed at the lake bottom, measuring how deep the water is, how thick the sediment, and producing an image on paper of the internal structure of the sediment. The boat also tows sidescan sonar, which surveys the lake bottom over a broad swath on either side of the boat's path.

Depending on the research being done, other equipment comes into play. To obtain sediment, which they'll later analyze back in the laboratory, students use the piston corer. Associated with the corer is a ponar, which operates like a clam digger, scooping and enclosing a sample. Researchers collect water samples in Niskan bottles to take back to the lab for tests. A CTD (conductivity, temperature, and depth instrument) measures the pressure, temperature, conductivity, and turbidity of the water. Superstar among the *Baldwin*'s equipment is a Sea Otter ROV (remotely operated vehicle), "an underwater camera with thrusters, which you fly through the water using remote controls," explains Pat Manley.

Namesake Brewster Baldwin commented on the vessel's impressive equipment at the boat's dedication: "They've got equipment that shows where you are, another piece of equipment that shows where you've been; equipment that shows what's down there and how far down it is. You can get a picture of it or you can get a sample of it. I don't know what else you need."

The *Baldwin* takes to the lake during three seasons. In addition to the spring "Marine Geology" class, every fall, each of the three lab sections of Tom Manley's "Elements of Oceanography" class designs a project, based on research conducted on the boat. An extremely important additional use of the *Baldwin* is senior theses and independent student projects. Matt Luecke '95 used sidescan sonar and the Sea Otter ROV camera to investigate the sediment dynamics in a furrow field east of Valcour Island; Brian Perry '95 looked at volume flow estimates between the main part of Lake Champlain and its northeast arm. His is the careful measuring, the disciplined documenting by which most scientific discoveries are made. This senior's work is providing the foundation—the very first steps—for the future management of Lake Champlain.

The Manleys also use the boat for various funded research projects, such as the continuing study of the hydrodynamics of Lake Champlain. This summer Pat Manley will collaborate with the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum as it searches for shipwrecks and she studies sedimentary bed forms—wave or furrow patterns, for example, created by currents on the bottom of the lake. "It's my specialty," she says, with the same matter-of-factness as a skater mentioning an axel or a chef a soufflé.

"Pat, you bilge rat," a student teases.

"There goes your grade," laughs another in reaction to the first student's comment.

Aware of a writer on board, the students begin collaborating, each throwing out a phrase. "We need to make a great quote, say how great Middlebury is, how we love the learning environment and especially Pat Manley." They are kidding, of course. But, watching them work, watching them learn, watching their transformation from "a whole bunch of rookies" into a smoothly operating team—three on this task, three on that, one to hand the right tool at the right time, as they pull up and seal the long cores—somehow, an observer suspects they mean every word. ■

DANCING

The world is a stage for Middlebury dancers.

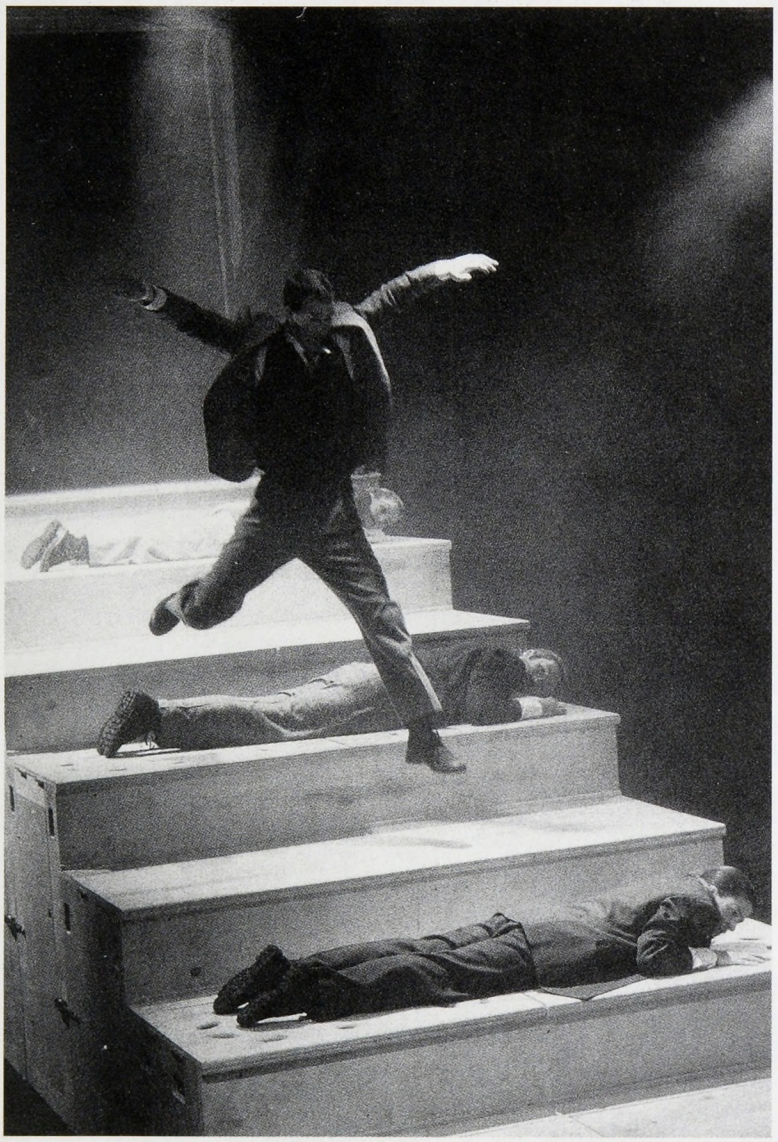
The afternoon sunlight slanting through the arched windows warms the soft, worn, wooden floors of McCullough. This space, long the home of the dance program, now stands empty, filled only with couches and rugs, but no longer with dancers. They are stashing their leotards at the Center for the Arts, in a move that signals a whole new era for dance at Middlebury. The new performance space is nontraditional—a curved wall and flexible seating provide an appropriate scene for the kinds of innovative dance Middlebury has been known to spawn. Being in the Center for the Arts also gives dancers the opportunity to collaborate with music and theatre students, a hallmark of the arts at Middlebury. In the last 10 years, Middlebury dancers have gone on to dance in some of the most admired dance companies in the world.

When **Adam Battelstein '85** was invited to join Pilobolus Dance Theatre in 1985, he became part of one of the most highly profiled dance companies in the U.S. Pilobolus, known for its inventive, gymnastic choreography, has inspired fervent audiences worldwide, produced offshoot companies (Momix Dance Company, with which Battelstein has also performed), and has created an educational program, Pilobolus Institute, for which Battelstein serves as education and outreach director.

Last year with a new M.F.A. in one hand and a new baby in the other, **Susan Prins '86** and her husband, Alonso Mendez '87, moved to Chiapas, Mexico. While not exactly the artistic mecca of the Americas, Chiapas proved fertile ground for this couple's creative impulses. They founded the Maya Center for Cultural Interchange, where Sue focuses on traditional dance. She is no stranger to foreign dance study: her major at Middlebury was East Asian Studies, and she went on to dance with an international ensemble directed by Ushio Amagatsu of the Japanese *butoh* company Sankai Juku.

FOR LIFE

By Rachel Morton and Deirdre Heekin '89



Jacques Heim '87 might best be remembered for his huge, concert-length work, "The Grand Passion." In this 1987 project, Heim directed close to 50 actors, dancers, and singers in one of the most ambitious pieces ever performed at the College. Heim continues to take an unconventional approach to dance with his own touring dance company, Diavolo Dance Theater, based in Los Angeles. The company performs work that combines elements of the serious and the mischievous, highlighting athleticism on a stage dense with objects inspired by the city.

Though her parents were born in Korea, **Maggie Lee '95** is visiting that country for the first time this year as part of the Korean Performing Arts Institute. One of 10 dancer/choreographers invited to participate in this annual program, Lee hopes to discover her own cultural identity and explore its potential in her own choreography. Lee will focus on Korean traditional dance, including folk, ritual, and mask dances. ■

Photographs, from left to right, by Lois Greenfield, Erik Borg, Holly Stein, and Erik Borg

SEARCHING FOR THE LAST OF THE BEAK-HEADS

When Ed Kanze gazed into the eye of the tuatara, he imagined he could see straight into the Mesozoic era.

By Edward Kanze '78

The austral sun, shining brightly through the rim of the ozone hole, scorched the back of my neck. The South Pacific was tempestuous this morning, its waves incessant and brutish. A dozen miles off New Zealand's North Island coast, I was draped over the stern of a fishing boat, adding color to our wake. There are better ways to make a first impression, but this was the best I could do.

An hour before dawn, in a motel room in the seaside city of Whangerei, I had joined a team of seven New Zealand wildlife biologists. We were bound for the Poor Knights, an archipelago of uninhabited, jungle-clad islands a dozen miles off the mainland. I was the odd man, a foreign dilettante among local professionals. My reception had been cool this crisp March morning, and my confidence was sagging.

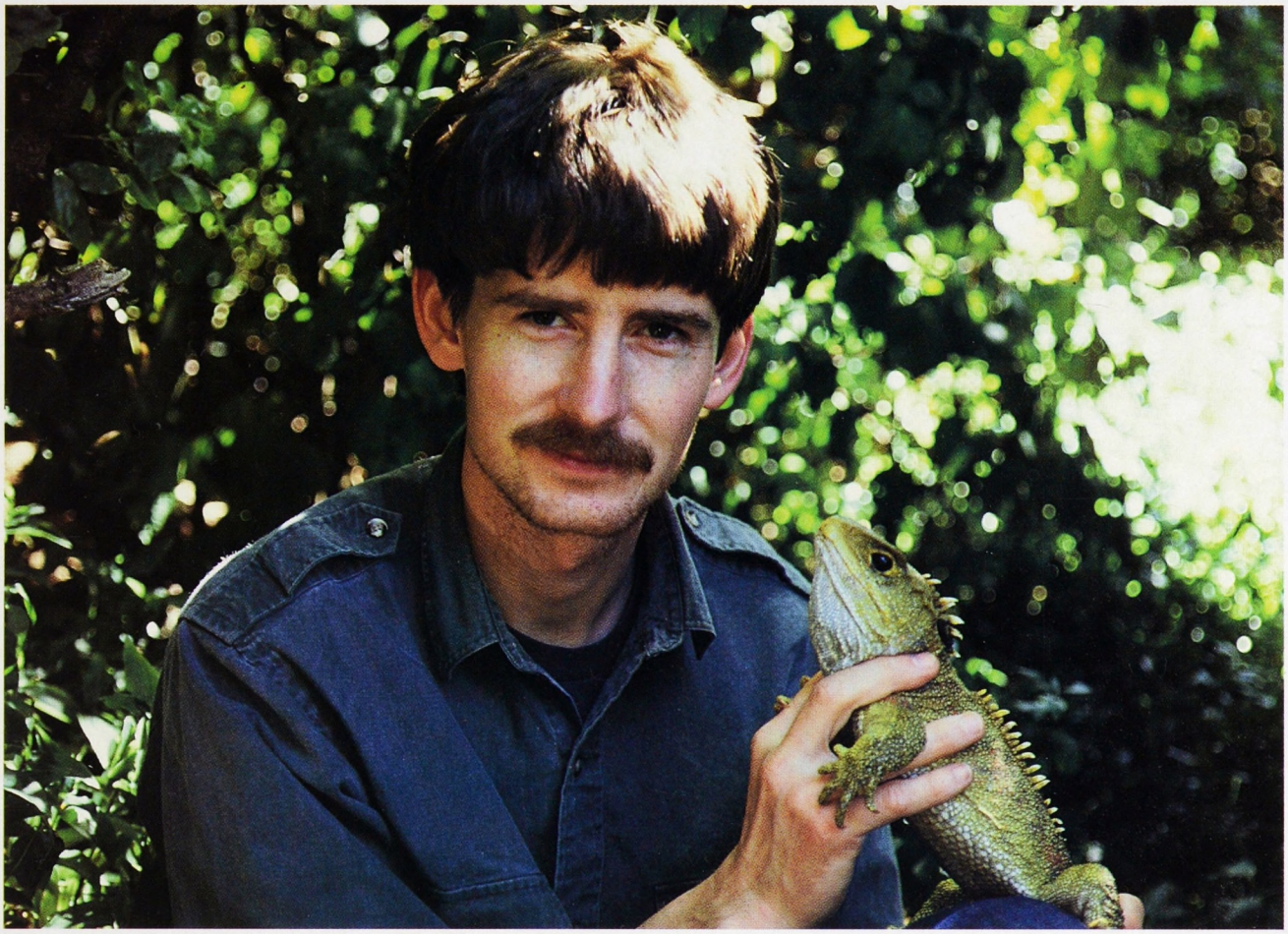
For two weeks our mission was to gather information about a four-legged, iguana-sized reptile called the tuatara. No one, it seems, has heard of the tuatara except for biologists and a few reptile buffs. It enjoys none of the fame of the platypus or coelacanth, yet like them it deserves zoological celebrity. The tuatara looks like a lizard but isn't. It lives nowhere but New Zealand, is virtually identical to creatures that lived in England and elsewhere 200 million years ago, and is the last survivor of the beak-headed reptiles. In fact, the group to which the tuatara belongs, the Rhynchocephalians, flourished before and during the Age of Dinosaurs and had been thought to be extinct for nearly 100 million years.

A dinosaur fanatic as a boy, Kanze had yearned to see the tuatara—the closest thing you could find to a real life dinosaur.

The Poor Knights, home to hundreds or perhaps thousands of tuatara, are a real-life Jurassic Park. Remote and shrouded by dense maritime forest, they are a virtual storehouse of ancient and extraordinary plants and animals. A visit to the Poor Knights is like a journey back through time to a world before the rise of mammals. And a visit is a great privilege. The islands are open only to scientists with special permission from the New Zealand government, and few outsiders have seen them.

Things were not looking good. Dr. Alison Cree, our leader, felt that a landing on Aorangi, our island of choice, was too dangerous to attempt. A strong wind roared out of the east, sending high seas crashing against Aorangi's volcanic shores. The wind showed no sign of letting up. The fishing boat, chartered by the hour, was costing the research team a lot of money, and the captain was wary of the rocks. Watching from the pilot house, her handsome face stretched tight over her cheekbones, Cree looked concerned. A decision was soon reached. We would land on Tawhiti Rahi, the next island to the north.

The problem with Tawhiti Rahi is that it rises straight out of the ocean. We were carrying food and water to sustain 10 adults for two weeks, a mountain of camping equipment, and an arsenal of scientific gear. All this would have to be beached in a dinghy, then hauled up the island's steep slopes. After that would come the chore of establishing base camp. Where do you pitch



Edward Kanze: "I was possessed by the idea of seeing wild tuatara. . . . I wanted to see their oversized heads poking out of burrows, hold them in my hands, and gaze into their ancient reptilian eyes."

seven or eight tents, set up a bush kitchen, and erect a laboratory on an island that pokes out of the sea like an oceanic Matterhorn?

The rocks along the shore cut like razors when we brushed against them. Above the rocks, where we were headed, the slopes were covered in nearly impenetrable jungle, the trees shaped like corkscrews and their limbs blocking our progress at every turn. Piece by piece, hour by hour, we hauled our stuff to the least steep slope we could find. There we pitched tents, dug a latrine, and collapsed.

As the sun set over the mainland, which lay like a green snake along the horizon, I had time to rest sore muscles and contemplate the unlikely chain of decisions and coincidences that had brought me here. Late one night in 1984, at my home in a nature preserve in southern New York, I was thumbing through the dictionary when I stumbled on *tuatara*, "a large spiny quadrupedal reptile (*Sphenodon punctatus*) of islands off the coast of New Zealand that is the only surviving Rhynchocephalian." As a boy I'd been a dinosaur fanatic, reading dinosaur books like a fundamentalist scrutinizing the Bible. I'd read about the tuatara then—it was the closest thing you could find to a real life dinosaur.

In an instant I decided to fly to New Zealand as soon as I could arrange it. Tired of my job and weary of the routines of my life, I knew that Noah Webster had handed me an epiphany. I was free. I could go. Nothing could stop me from visiting the far side of the earth and searching for the tuatara. It was crazy, but destiny called. Before the year was out I had quit my job, bought a plane ticket from my old friend and Middlebury '77 classmate Ingrid Malmstrom Saldibar, and set off down under.

Almost at once I ran into a significant obstacle. After traveling all the way to New Zealand, I learned that seeing a tuatara in the wild was impossible. The reptiles live only on 29 islands, and each was off-limits to tourists.

What was a herpetophile to do? I could, and did, see tuatara in the Auckland Zoo. And I traveled through

Photograph by Edward Kanze

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New Zealand's countryside, wilderness areas, and cities. By the time I was done I had climbed mountains, swilled beer in pubs, formed a lasting friendship with an old man who lived alone in the rain forest, and helped herd a few of the country's 70 million sheep. Yet the experiences left me unsatisfied. I was still possessed by the idea of seeing wild tuatara, not tired, dusty, overfed specimens in cages. I wanted to watch them move, see their oversized heads poking out of burrows, hold them in my hands, and gaze into their ancient reptilian eyes. Watching documentaries on television has never satisfied me. I want direct experience.

When all looked lost, an angel appeared. He was Charlie Daugherty, Middlebury '68. Charlie is a professor of zoology at Victoria University in Wellington, the New Zealand capital. An English major at Middlebury, he had turned to zoology after serving in Vietnam, and developed specialties in herpetology and genetics. He had been teaching in New Zealand for several years when I met him in his Wellington office.

Dressed in a white lab coat and grinning behind a salt-and-pepper beard, Charlie greeted me warmly. I told him of my quixotic mission, and to my delight he promised to do what he could to help.

Thanks to Charlie and my own stubborn persistence, two years later I was back in New Zealand, assisting with tuatara research on Stephens Island in the Cook Strait. Here, at the tender age of 31, I held enough beak-headed reptiles to thrill any nine year old. I saw tuatara mating. I tracked them from dusk to dawn, trekking up and down precipitous slopes with only an upside-down Orion and Southern Cross for company. I jabbed tuatara with syringes and took blood samples. I saw their sperm wriggling under a microscope. I ate roast mutton, drank milk fresh from the cow, and was nearly gored by a misanthropic bull. Yet I returned home still only partially satisfied. Stephens Island was a civilized sort of place, covered not by its original jungle but by a sheep pasture. I remained determined to see tuatara in a wild, primeval milieu.

Charlie Daugherty and I kept in touch, while back in New York, I found another job, a good one, running a small natural history museum and living in the 4,700-acre park that surrounded it. My salary was generous, my work challenging and important. I was provided a fine old farmhouse in which to hang my hat and an unbelievably spacious backyard. Happy yet still restless, I was ripe for adventure when a letter arrived from Wellington. Charlie said that Victoria University was organizing a massive research program that would put scientific teams on all the tuatara islands. Volunteers would be needed, and old hands at tuatara catching would be especially welcome. This was a chance, Charlie said, to visit some of the wildest and most biologically significant islands on earth. He especially recommended I sign up for the Poor Knights. No mammals there, no sheep or cattle, no rats or weasels, but there were plenty of tuatara, and lots and lots of lizards.

It was sheer madness to go. I had a wonderful job, the kind I could retire in. Yet when the deadline for committing myself to the expedition approached, I wrote a letter of resignation, called Ingrid and booked another Air New Zealand flight, and set off once again for the Antipodes.

Now, here I was—homeless, jobless, and marching into the jungle, a headlamp strapped to my forehead and a collecting bag looped through my belt. The unearthly cries of Buller's shearwaters echoed from underfoot, where they nested in burrows beneath the ground. The air felt cool and humid, and

Illustrations by Elizabeth Pols

under the trees the darkness was profound.

We plunged deeper and deeper into the island's dark heart, following a few wisps of surveyor's tape we had put out during the afternoon. At one place, which looked like all the others where we stopped to rest, I trained my light on a boulder. I could hardly believe my eyes. There was a rustling in the fallen leaves, and suddenly a wave of brown lizards swept down the rock and scurried into the forest. "Skinks," Alison pointed out, dozens of them. Each was slender and shiny and about six inches long. Nearby, on a tree that grew above the boulder, the light of a headlamp revealed another lizard, this one nearly a foot in length. It was warty, had a large head, and looked at us through bulging eyes. "Hoplodactylus," someone said. "A Duvacell's gecko."

"Stop!" hissed Mary McIntyre, a few minutes later. Mary is an entomologist, an insect expert, and she had joined the tuatara expedition with an ulterior motive: to search for a rare, endangered, grasshopperlike insect called the giant weta. Now she had found one at the base of a tree: it was enormous, about as long as her hand, with a bulbous abdomen and long legs riddled with barbs. The giant weta, Mary explained, while keeping a close watch lest the insect jab her, has all but vanished from the mainland. It is flightless, and like the tuatara cannot survive in the presence of mammals, who find it easy prey.

For me, the ultimate discovery came soon afterward. "Tutes!" someone shouted. Indeed. A moment later Steve Thompson appeared with a beak-head in his hand. It was about as long as his arm, from fingertips to elbow. The skin was charcoal gray, loose-fitting, and liberally sprinkled with white polka-dots. Along the nape of the neck and down the reptile's back ran a palisade of soft white spines. Steve, a strapping man in his 20s had his right hand gripped around the tuatara from behind, its head projecting out, its tail dangling below. The tuatara was not accepting its capture with equanimity. From its pulsing leathery throat came croaking sounds, and its torso and tail twisted violently. Steve knew what to do. To keep the animal from injuring itself, and to keep its sharp claws from ripping his forearm, he swung it gently side to side. The tail moved like a pendulum and the tuatara, now ticking like a clock, grew instantly serene.

It had been two years since I'd seen a tuatara, and this was my first convincingly wild one. I ran my fingers along its dry skin. I admired its form, which was like a miniature dragon. And in the glow of my headlamp I gazed into its eye and imagined I could see straight into the Mesozoic era, where *Tyrannosaurs* tyrannized and *Pterosaurs* flapped over swamps inhabited by *Brontosaurs.* This was a moment to cherish. Half the people I knew thought me mad and selfish for coming here, and the rest seemed to think me profound and heroic. Neither picture was accurate. For reasons unfathomable even to me, I simply wanted to experience the tuatara directly, to coexist with it for a while. People who think NASA should have sent robots rather than men to the moon will never understand, but that was my plain, single-minded, simpleminded agenda.

By the end of the night, we had caught five tuatara in all. I knew that two weeks of work still lay ahead, but for me the greatest thrill was over. Now I would relax and enjoy.

In the morning, I awoke to a chorus of bellbirds singing exquisite melodies in the trees around my tent. Breakfast consisted of fresh fruit and fried fish. George had caught an immense snapper with a hand-line, and it was crackling over the stove when I emerged from my sleeping bag about noon.

Later, we continued exploring the island, marking more routes with surveyor's tape. Then came a long joyous swim in Skull Bay. I lay on my back for nearly an hour, rising and falling with the rhythms of the South Pacific, listening to the faraway cries of petrels and the rush of wind through the forest. Perhaps I fell asleep. Suddenly it was nearly dark and the steep walls of the bay echoed with the ringing of a thousand tiny bells—bellbirds singing their evening anthem. I rolled over like a seal, paddled back to shore, and scratched my way up the slope thinking, This is remarkable, this is joyous, this is liberating, this is the kind of adventure everyone needs to have. ■

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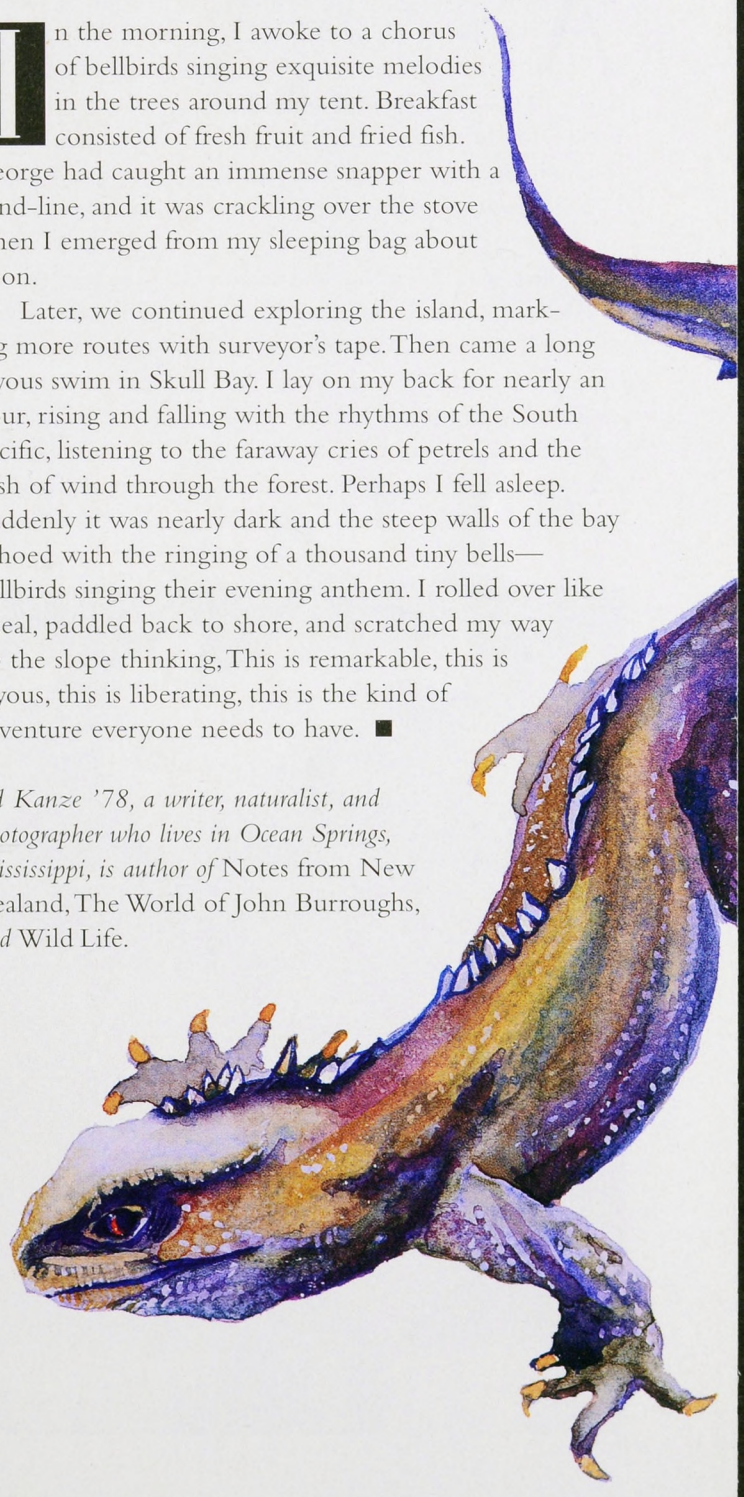

THE SPORTING LIFE

by Kelly Kerner

IT'S ALL IN HOW YOU PLAY THE GAME

A newspaper clipping is taped to Mickey Heinecken's door. It's not the typical *Sports Illustrated* "College Football Preview" you might expect a football coach to display. But then Heinecken is not your typical football coach.

The clipping is about the death of grace in sport. It's an obituary of sorts, and it's titled "Whatever happened to grace?" The article describes an era when displaying a graceful attitude was more important than winning or losing. For Heinecken, that is an ongoing goal on the gridiron at Middlebury.

"I wanted that out there so our kids would read it. There's been such an erosion of grace in sport today, and it's nobody's fault but the coach's. We've let it happen from early on in the lives of these kids, and then it gets perpetuated as these young athletes become professionals. The best player ever to play basketball is also one of the biggest trash talkers in the league. He doesn't need to be. It sends a bad message."

This attitude has marked Heinecken's style at Middlebury for 23 years. He is about to win his 100th game, and he is the all-time winningest football coach in Middlebury history with a record of 99-75-2. If you ask him his most memorable moment, you might expect him to trot out a polished old chestnut about a glorious win or a magnificent comeback. But instead he'll tell you about a loss from his fourth season of coaching at Middlebury. Heinecken's most memorable moment as coach is not about winning at all. At least not in the traditional sense.

"Sure, we've had great wins, undefeated seasons, and great

Photograph by Jimmy Keyser

comebacks," says the coach, "but one of my proudest moments as coach came in my fourth season. We were undefeated going into the last game against Norwich. We lost in a very tight, traumatic game. Roy Heffernan, who is one of the best running backs we've had during my years here, came into the locker room. All these kids had their heads down, and Roy had torn cartilage in his knee in the first half, and finished the game despite needing surgery, and he said, 'Hey guys, I've got tears in my eyes, too, but I hope your tears are for the same reason mine are. We just played our last football game together as a team. We gave everything we had, and the only reason I'm down is because we'll never experience this kind of thing again.' What's neat about that is that it was a kid who put it into perspective. That's one of those rare moments. It's bigger than any victory."

Roy Heffernan '78 remembers the situation as if it were yesterday. "The team was devastated. I was sitting in the locker room next to Skip D'Aliso '79, crying and telling him how miserable I was because it was my last game as a Panther, and the last time we would play together as a team. Skippy—I think he was crying, too—leaned over and told me that I should share what I was feeling with the guys. I was upset because this marked the end of a four-year opportunity to play for Middlebury. Some of those guys still had the opportunity to carry on, and I wanted them to focus on what they had in the future, not what had happened in the past."

Heinecken is obviously doing something right to inspire this kind of feeling in his players. Heffernan describes his team-building style. "Fall in Vermont can be kind of rainy. In the '77 season, I think it rained every weekend. We were a big team, tailor-made for playing in the mud. In fact, we became known as the 'Mudders.' One day, the coaching staff, led by Mickey, came running from about 30 yards and performed swan dives in the mud. They slid for yards in that slop and came up completely covered from head to toe. They had mud in their eyes, their hair, their teeth, it was everywhere. It may seem nonessential, but it's a good example of the kind of fun and camaraderie he brings to a team."

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Heinecken knows how to have fun on the job, and his love for the game and the College is obvious to all. "This is the best job in the country," he says. "We have great facilities, we have a College that believes in the value of sport, John McCardell's vision is a good and strong one, and on a personal level, it's a great place to raise a family. I mean, what more could you want? When I die, they'll be lining up around the corner to get this job."

From an on-the-field teaching standpoint, Heinecken sometimes wonders if he shouldn't feel guilty about living in this "football utopia."

"With most Middlebury kids, you are starting with a very good product. They come in here with an upbringing that has taught them how to compete and succeed. I think what we do on the football field is to present them with a fairly innocent medium to experience some of the aspects of real life. These kids learn how to perform as a team, working hard for the love of the sport."

Middlebury offers no scholarships in football. Thus, unlike NCAA Division I teams, the College cannot offer financial compensation for playing. A player must perform out of pure desire. In an October '94 *Sports Illustrated* article, Matt Whitcomb '94, who played running back for Heinecken at Midd, said, "I played purely for the love of the game. Did I ever long to look up and see 75,000 screaming fans? Not really. To be honest, it was a better feeling to see 3,500 screaming fans and to know they were part of the community and that you belonged to that community and that most of the people up there were your friends. I consider my football experience to be a real asset in my life. The discipline, hard work, and competitive nature I learned playing at Middlebury is something I will carry with me the rest of my life."

Heinecken has one slogan in his entire office. "Those who stay are champions." He borrowed the idea from the locker room at West Point, and he feels it applies to the Middlebury football player.

"The kids who make it through four years of football at Midd leave with so much more under their belt. We have a few kids who might go all four years without starting a ball game. Those are the true champions. They put up with tough practices and relative anonymity for their entire career, and yet they keep coming back. That teaches them something you can never learn in a classroom."

The clipping on Heinecken's door suggests that if grace were to have a say in its funeral arrangements, it would request, "Something small, something quiet, something dignified." But don't bury grace just yet. It's still alive and kicking at Youngman Field in Middlebury, and Mickey Heinecken can show you just where to find it. ■

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by Cynthia Baughman

THE PORTABLE RON POWERS

Want to read live writing? Want to learn what a real turn of phrase is? Want to see someone chuck ironic sophistication earned in New York City as a TV broadcast personality and talk about old-fashioned values that are the province of no political party? Well, then, read *The Cruel Radiance: Notes of a Prosewriter in a Visual Age,* Ron Powers's new book published at the beginning of this year by University Press of New England for Middlebury College Press.

The book gathers within one binding a generous sampling of Powers's style and thought. It presents five lectures delivered at the Bread Loaf Writers' Conference over 10 years, excerpts from two novels and two nonfiction books, a short story, and a selection of the author's favorites written for his TV column for *GQ Magazine.*

Powers's roots are in journalism, although at various times he has donned the caps of novelist, essayist, critic, and writer of extended nonfiction; now he teaches Middlebury students how to write. He uses his power over words to express what he thinks of and hopes for this world. Sometimes he tells it like it is, straight out, and sometimes he tells it with irony.

Tell us what you think, Ron. About a TV talk show: "It is the audience-as-attack-dog that transforms [Morton] Downey's cretinous vulgarities into a sort of performance art." About a TV drama: "ABC's precious pasta-link of a series designer-labeled 'thirtysomething' (alternative title: 'skinnywhitepeoplefromhell') is pouting its way toward the triumphal windup of its first season." About proportion: "Propelled by mass media, the tendency to frame everyday issues in the rhetoric of life and death has inflated the commonplace and deflated the significant." About market-driven stories: "This brings us to what I think is the most corrosive, insidious effect of broadcasting's influence on the world of writers. In separating ideas from any test of their authenticity other than how well they go over with a sample fragment of the mass audience, broadcasters are perhaps unwittingly rearranging the terms of truth."

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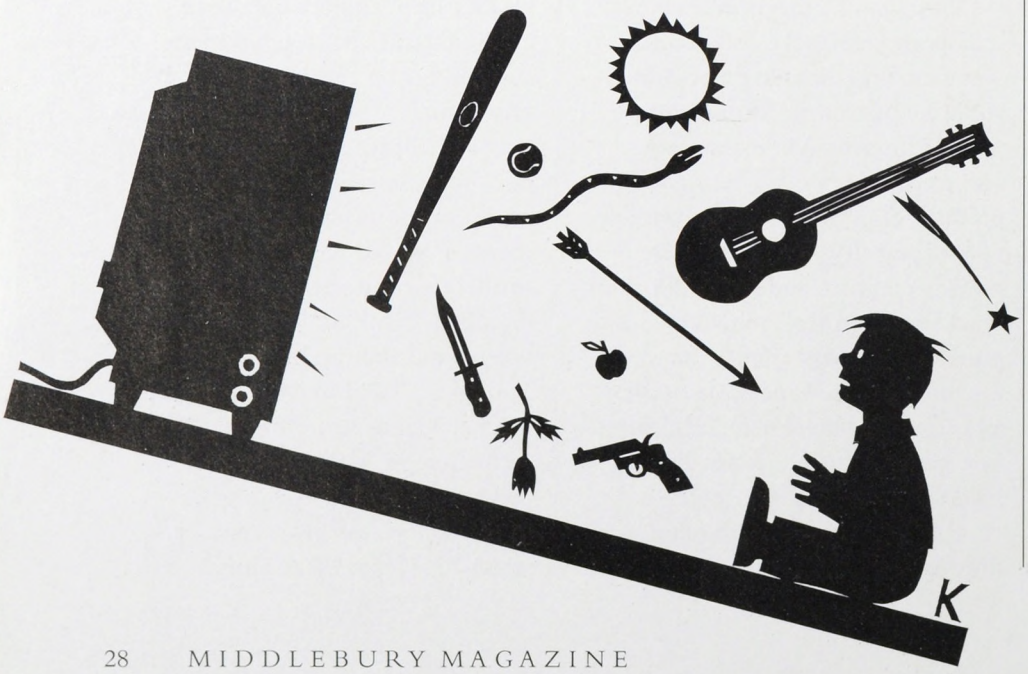
As a how-to book for writers, *Cruel Radiance* is hard to beat. Not only does Powers offer some instructions, here words live. This writer won a Pulitzer Prize for demonstrated reasons. He talks about getting "in touch with my Inner Thesaurus," "truth was becoming one of the guys," "a puree of fact and



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fantasy." "MTV was the LSD of the Reagan Revolution." "'Oh, shit,' Downey mutters. 'The audience is here.' He says it with the unconvincing moue of a Washington hostess murmuring, 'Oh, shit. The secretary of defense has just arrived.'" "The huddled masses out there in their condos aren't hurling sun-dried tomatoes at the screen; they're shouting, 'Right on!' Michael has been to the mountaintop! And skied down it!"

When he plays it straight, readers understand why Powers often refers to himself as one of the last romantics. About the Bread Loaf experience, he writes of the "transition from the quotidian to the charmed; from the world as we have accepted it to a chamber of the world as we might dream it." Elsewhere, his romanticism takes another form: "This is what's too often missing: passion, harnessed to an idea." "What's missing in this equation is love. . . . to work . . . by treating our maddened readers with love; to offer them our truthfulness if not the Truth; and to invite them with us on a journey, out of the darkness and toward the light."

If this book whets your appetite for more Powers, then you'll move on to his personal favorite among his books, *White Town Drowsing,* and to *Far From Home,* where you'll discover more live language—"His silver pompadour, which called to mind the swirl on a Dairy Queen ice-cream cone, bore the treadmarks of a recent combing"—more truth—"A central condition of my adult life is that I can go anywhere I please, except back"—and a poignant connection, when the author describes his childhood in Hannibal, Missouri, as filled with *radiance.* That was the foundation from which this writer set out to discover, explain, and try to curb the effects of the *Cruel Radiance* produced by the television age. ■

Also Noted

Women and the Israeli Occupation: The Politics of Change
edited by Tamar Mayer (London and New York: Routledge, 1994)

Some aspects of the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip have a special impact on the three groups of women this book discusses: Israeli women, Palestinian women living in the Occupied Territories, and Palestinian women living in Israel who are Israeli citizens. Tamar Mayer, an associate professor of geography at Middlebury, has gathered essays commenting on gender-specific experiences in economics, environment, politics, health care, and home atmosphere.

Both Israeli and Palestinian women, marginalized historically in their own cultures, in an ironic turn of fate have found their political voices in their reaction to the occupation. Gender loyalty cuts across political loyalties, and for some the social liberation agenda has become as important as the national struggle. Mayer sounds a cautionary note but is optimistic about real change in the future.

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Cooperation under Fire: Anglo-German Restraint during World War II
by Jeffrey W. Legro '82 (Ithaca and London: Cornell University Press, 1995)

Jeffrey Legro examines the cooperation of enemies during war, exploring why combatant countries agreed (sometimes successfully) to refrain from bombing civilian targets, using chemical warfare, and attacking commercial shipping. Legro asserts the best explanations of their restraint lie in the dominant, domestic beliefs and customs of the various countries' military services. Today nuclear, chemical, and biological weapons, as well as ecoterrorism, threaten civilization. At its peril the world ignores lessons from the restraints that worked and did not work during World War II. Legro, an economics and Russian major at Middlebury, is now an assistant professor of political science at the University of Minnesota.

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Notes of a White Black Woman: Race, Color, Community
by Judy Scales-Trent, M.A. French '67 (University Park, Pa.: Pennsylvania State University Press, 1995)

Judy Scales-Trent, who earned an M.A. from the Middlebury French School in 1967, writes about living "at a crossroads," that is, being black but looking white and belonging to neither culture. Using reflective journal entries, poems, essays, family stories, and personal experiences, Scales-Trent takes readers along on her journey from the establishment's safe categories to her own resolution that "The only helpful way to teach about difference is to teach about sameness." A professor of law at SUNY-Buffalo, Scales-Trent exposes the foolishness and prejudice of both blacks and whites and points toward the richness of shared community for those who can see that "'race' is not a biological fact but a social construct," one that limits the ordinary, extraordinary acts of visiting, eating, and laughing with friends. ■

by Cynthia Baughman

"No man ever forgot the visitations of that power to his heart and brain, which created all things new; which was the dawn in him of music, poetry, and art." *Ralph Waldo Emerson*

WORD MUSIC

In one corner of the darkened room three chairs are placed behind a table set with small reading lamps. An ancient and faded, mystical Chinese landscape, with intricate paths winding up through ascending rocks into the clouds, is projected on a slide screen at the front of the room. The gathered audience sits hushed, breathing in the scent of steaming Chinese tea.

This was the setting for "A Celebration of Chinese Verse," the final event in the Festival of the Human Voice. Su Lian Tan, instructor in music, conceived of and organized the festival, which included more than two dozen events from October through March. This afternoon's multilingual poetry reading captured Middlebury at its best, as professors and students from five departments collaborated to create an hour of magic.

Gregory Chiang performed first. Chair of the Chinese department, he read, chanted, and then sang in his native language the words of Chinese poets dead for a millennium. Without accompaniment, Chiang's lovely baritone voice, rising and falling according to exotic melodies, helped his listeners understand the poetry of Tu Fu, perhaps China's greatest poet, who lived from 712 to 770; Wang Wei, who wrote poetry during the T'ang dynasty of the eighth century; and Ssu-ma Hsiang-ju, whose poems date from the second century B.C. Thomas Moran, assistant professor of Chinese, provided background information and an English translation of each of the poems sung. The poetry evoked in the modern audience the same feelings listeners had experienced one and two thousand years earlier, demonstrating yet again that love and poetry and music are immortal.

Chiang came to Middlebury in 1976 to help establish the Chinese department. Earlier in his career he had performed as host of the radio show "A Psalm of Life" for four years in Taipei. Not only did he sing popular Chinese music, he also responded to questions phoned in by listeners to the program.

"We had a lot of specialists, for example, to answer legal questions, but for the part of the show that was like Dear Abby, we just answered

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送別

王維

下馬飲君酒　　問君何所之
君言不得意　　歸臥南山陲
但去莫復問　　白雲無盡時

"A Letter to Vice Prefect Chang"
by Wang Wei
translated by John C. Elder

Here, near the end,
With quiet my only companion,
What should I care for the busy world?
With no agenda but introspection,
I enter this empty old wood
Where winds from the pine loosen
my clothes.
In the light of the mountain moon
I'll strum my lute.
You ask me what all this means?
It's the song of a fisherman
Safely back in harbor.

"Libation Solitaire au Clair de Lune"
par Li Po

Parmi les fleurs un pot de vin:
Je bois tout seul sans un ami.
Levant ma coupe, je convie le clair de lune;
Voici mon ombre devant moi:
nous sommes trois.
La lune, hélas, ne sait pas boire;
Et l'ombre en vain me suit.

Compagnes d'un instant, ô vous,
la lune et l'ombre!
Par de joyeux ébats, faison fête au printemps!
Quand je chante, la lune indolente musarde;
Quand je danse, mon ombre égarée se déforme.
Tant que nous veillerons,
ensemble égayons-nous;
Et, l'ivresse venue, que chacun s'en retourne.
Que dure a tout jamais notre liaison sans âme:
Retrouvons-nous sur la lointain Voie Lactée!

Empty Forests after Rain, ink and color on paper, Ni Tsan, Yuan Dynasty

through the air," Chiang laughed. "I was so young; I didn't know anything about life."

But he knew how to sing. "Every province has its own style to do the chanting and singing. My father liked to write poetry and chant, and as a boy I learned from him the chanting style of the northern part of China. Many ancient tunes have been passed down this way. It is also common to use the classical words but to use modern tunes, often western, like Frank Sinatra tunes. You can also compose your own tunes, and I did that for the last poem I sang."

When Chiang's singing concluded, Alan Donaldson '95, a joint English and Chinese major, and Charles Wyman '96, a joint economics and Chinese major, took their turns at reading in their oriental language of choice. The audience leaned forward empathetically to hear the young men as they spoke softly the words their listeners could feel but not pronounce.

After a short break, when students served mugs full of the aromatic China Oolong tea, came the poetry trio: three readers in three languages. French translations of venerable Chinese poems were presented in a resonant, deep bass by Simon Barenbaum, George Adams Ellis Professor Emeritus of French. John Elder, professor of English and environmental studies, had crafted new English translations of many of the poems (such an effort for such an afternoon) and read them sensitively. Clara Yu, whose poetry in both English and Chinese is collected in *To the Interior* and who serves as vice president for languages at Middlebury, read the original Chinese. Meanwhile, Cynthia Atherton, associate professor of art, matched changing slides of Chinese art to the changing verses of the poems.

The three readers sat together at the table. Elder announced the poems as they were read: one in English and Chinese; another in English and French; another in Chinese and French; another in English, French, and Chinese. On and on they flowed, the sounds and feelings of one language translating themselves into the meanings of words the audience hadn't known it understood. For an hour everyone's French was back up to speed and the entire group spoke Chinese.

At the end of the program Yu played a tape of a famous Chinese singer, Deng Lijun, who appears repeatedly at the top of the Chinese recording charts. She, too, sang ancient poetry, words written by Li Yu.

"In Mainland China people say they love Little Deng even more than Big Deng," Middlebury's Yu explained, referring to the female pop singer performing on the tape and Deng Xiaoping, longtime leader of the People's Republic. "She's singing these songs from the tenth century and is the most popular singer in China. It's like Mariah Carey singing *The Canterbury Tales.* Can you imagine!"

Little Deng's tape continued, the orchestra behind her playing not an exotic tune like those Chiang had been singing, but a style evoking high school parties at a time when boys and girls held each other as they slow danced. Because of the music, Li Yu's eloquent poetry was momentarily forgotten and instead the words of that more recent time came to mind: "To know, know, kno-ow him, Is to love, love, lo-ove him, And I do-oo-oo-oo-ooo." John Elder pinkened, lowered his gaze, and beamed, remembering. Little Deng concluded her song, and the backup musicians on the tape finished with a flourish as Clara Yu conducted. ■

Professor Gregory Chiang, chair of the Chinese department

Photograph of Professor Chiang by Owen Stayner

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Frederick M. Meek (Amy Hunt), Box 447, Kennebunkport, ME 04046; 207/967-2440.*

Life is still interesting and happy for **Helen La Force Lewis Henshaw**. She has a new great-grandson and she still enjoys overnight visits in Ft. Washington, MD, where about 14 family members gather for her birthday and holidays. She enjoyed our reunion report—"Lucky people who could be there!"—and wishes a good 1995 to all. ■ **Marion Janes McIntosh** sends us a report from Worcester, MA, of the death of **Kathleen Kirby**. We are all proud of the work Kathleen did over the years, as a result of her own hearing problems. We remember how well she coped during our college years. "Janesey" was planning to attend her church for Easter services. ■ We are indebted to Robert Savage for writing us of the death of his father, **Reginald M. Savage**. Reg had been a resident of an assisted care living center for about six months prior to his death on December 23, 1993. Born in 1899 in North Troy, VT, Reg graduated from high school in the midst of World War I in 1917. He joined the Navy and served as a fireman on the U.S.S. *Albany*, traveling as far afield as Vladivostok. He met **Dorothy Taylor** immediately after arriving at Middlebury College and they were both as in love with the place as with each other, it would seem. They were married in 1926, and after a five-year stint in NYC, lived in Middlebury until 1942 and returned there for alumni activities and vacations nearly every year thereafter. Reg was in Naval Intelligence all during World War II and until his retirement as a captain in 1960. Reg and Dot built a home in Norwell, MA, in 1955, remaining there until her death in 1992 and his in 1993. Reg served the town as its representative on the Metropolitan Area Planning Council and as a member of the Town Charter Study Committee. A memorial appears elsewhere in this issue.

1925

Class Secretary: *Dr. Ward Oliver, 35 North Grand St., Cobleskill, NY 12043.*

Dr. **Ward L. Oliver**, who is on the honorary staffs of Albany (NY) Medical Center Hospital and Bassett Hospital of Schoharie County, was recently reelected to a three-year term on the board of directors of the Bank of Richmondville at Cobleskill, NY. Dr. Oliver is chairman of the board of the bank.

1926

REUNION CLASS

Class Secretary: *Lindley W. Robinson, 33 Christian Ave., Concord, NH 03301.*

We regret to report the death of our faithful co-secretary, **Elizabeth Goodale Murray**, on April 9. Betty had served as class secretary since our 50th Reunion. She also attended our 65th Reunion in 1991. A memorial appears elsewhere in this issue. ■ **Hazel Hughes Moore** passed away on December 13, 1994, at her home in Shrewsbury, MA. Hazel was a native of Fair Haven, VT. ■ We must also report the death of **Roger W. Scott** on December 5, 1994. His career at Union Carbide, which began in 1927, was interrupted from 1940 to 1946 by World War II, when he was a major in the Army, serving as a liaison officer for the state of WV. He retired in 1948 and passed away at the Holyoke (MA) Soldiers' Home. Roger plainly recalled seeing Halley's Comet in the spring of 1910, when his mother awakened him and his brother at 3 a.m. to wrap up in blankets and watch as the comet sailed through the sky. We send the condolences of the class to their families.

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Julia Austin fell outside her home in Barre, VT, last November after spending Thanksgiving with her sister-in-law in Vergennes. She broke her hip and is in Berlin Hospitality House, where she celebrated her 90th birthday on April 14. She still receives mail at her home address. Though she is doing well, she can't continue as class secretary, so please send news directly to the magazine.

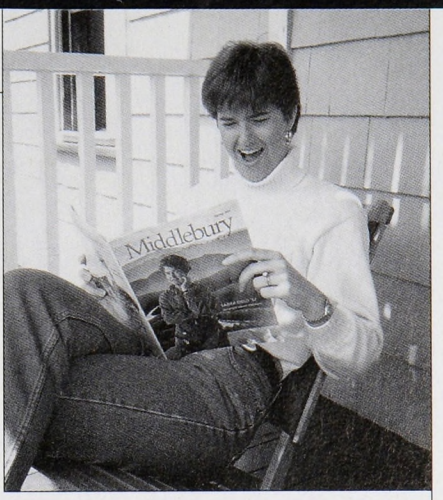
1928

Class Secretary: *Mrs. J.D. Coombs (Miriam Sweet), 13 Highland St., Concord, MA 01742.*

Greetings. We begin with some new addresses. **Eunice Smith Williams** has moved to 7434 W. Paraiso, Glendale, AZ 85310. ■ **Marjorie Dewing**, in company with several friends, is now living in the Ave Maria Nursing Home, 19 School St., Richford, VT 05476. ■ John Sylvester, husband of the late **Lorna (Mildred) Senecal Sylvester**, has moved to 323 Canterbury Pl., 350 Fisk St., Pittsburgh, PA 15201. ■ I hope you will write to **Margaret (Tib) Moody Rice**, whose husband, Charles, has died. He was a greatly respected teacher and administrator. They had a 63-year marriage. Tib's address is 60 Dartmouth Ct., Bedford, MA 01731. ■ We remember with affection **Hester Dwinell** and **Alice Fales O'Connor**. Side by side in their *Kaleid* photos, they were devoted

How to Read Your Alumni Class Notes

by Tara Hartnett Leonard '86



You love them. You hate them. But you *always* read them. They're your alumni class notes and they're a self-esteem crisis waiting to happen. When a brand new *Middlebury Magazine* lands on your doorstep, do you immediately dig into that meaty article on Renaissance poetry? Do you whip out your checkbook to contribute to the capital campaign? Chances are, you flip to the back and, with a mixture of dread and delight, check out what your classmates are up to. And what they're up to usually reads like this:

Archie Vogel has been named chief of brain surgery at Mt. Sinai Hospital in Manhattan, where he placed fifth in the New York City Marathon in spite of a recently transplanted lung. He volunteers 25 hours a week for the Special Olympics with ex-ski champion **Benton Bradley**, who has just become the youngest partner in history at his corporate litigation firm. His wife **Allison Smith Bradley** published a best-selling collection of short stories just days after delivering triplets. She plans to return to work as U.S. Ambassador to Italy after the entire family bicycles through Europe.

Do these people live on the same planet as we mortals? The one where days only have 24 hours and the definition of volunteer work is offering to do the laundry? Wouldn't you, just once, like to see someone write that he's going bald, is still working on that 12-step program, or spends most of the day saying "Do you want fries with that?"

Not that I don't admire the stunning accomplishments of my fellow alumni. It's just that in the real world, most of us live lives somewhere in between *Who's Who in Corporate America* and *The Diagnostic Manual of Psychiatric Disorders*. Personally, I'd like to hear less of these corporate success stories and more about the everyday milestones to which we can all relate. For instance:

Janet Ansel '81 blew her diet again and writes that, if she sees one more 100-pound actress talking about will power, she may drown the woman in Slim Fast. **John Jones '72** just bought a fire-engine red convertible for all the obvious mid-life crisis reasons and would love to hear from aging classmates who have done the same. **Samantha Harvey '92** just dumped Mr. Right after learning that his idea of commitment is a three-day video rental.

Not holding your breath? Human nature being what it is, it's doubtful that such revelations will soon see print. However, it *is* possible to read your alumni class notes without having a nervous breakdown. Just read between the lines! As with most autobiographies, what's left unsaid is the most revealing. Here are a few examples:

Lisa Allen Smith '84 is delighted to announce the arrival of son Jason on October 14. In other words, poor Lisa, thrilled though she is, hasn't slept more than three hours straight in two months, has the stomach of a sumo wrestler, and occasionally feels like Mia Farrow in *Rosemary's Baby*.

Bob Tremont '58 writes that his family threw a surprise family reunion at his home in Greenwich this summer. Translation? All three of Bob's children have decided to move back home until Bill gets a job, Ann completes rehab, and Samuel feels more comfortable with his sexual identity.

Jessie Cox '94 has entered a management training program at one of America's fastest growing corporations. Guess who's scooping ice cream at Ben & Jerry's for the summer?

Once you get the hang of it, reading your class notes is even more entertaining than the O.J. Simpson trial! And speaking of O.J., here's what his recent University of Southern California alumni update probably said: **O.J. Simpson** writes that his media career is really taking off! O.J. has just published his own book and can be seen daily on television programs throughout the world. Due to his hectic schedule, O.J. won't be able to attend this spring's class reunion, but he hopes to be free soon.

Kidding aside, for those of you less comfortable with literary analysis, I urge some simple perspective. Alumni class notes are not some sort of graduate essay exam. They're not a yardstick with which to measure one's fame, fortune, or knowledge of trendy European ski resorts. And most important, they're not the whole story. Like an annual family Christmas photo, these carefully phrased mini-bios reveal only the smiling surface of rich and complex lives. While the genuine accomplishments recorded deserve our applause, they leave little room to reflect that triumph frequently comes with loss and success only with sacrifice. That's life, with all of its faults, foibles, joys, and challenges. And that's what you find when you read between the lines.

So enjoy your alumni class notes for what they are—an opportunity to share special moments with friends past and present. A chance to crow, to connect, to rekindle lost relationships. You'll discover that regardless of what everyone is writing, here's how just about everyone is living:

Middlebury Graduate has good days and bad, but is basically glad to be around. Tries to balance work, play, friends, and family. Laughs a lot. Exercises less. Has experienced exhilarating success and occasional regret. Would love to hear from classmates willing to share lessons learned along the way.

***Tara Hartnett Leonard '86** recently left her job at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, to write full-time. (In other words, she loves the flexibility, misses the steady paycheck, dies a thousand deaths with every rejection letter, and watches "General Hospital" on a regular basis.)* ■

to Davy (Prof. Wilfred Davison) and, with **Charles Malam** and **Storrs Lee**, were distinguished contributors to the *Saxonian*. Hester, whose poetry we admired, chose foreign language teaching as her career, but Alice chose editing and publishing in New York and Chicago for hers, retiring and marrying Horace in 1968. Both kept in touch with us, Alice from her St. Petersburg, FL, home and Hester, from Brookfield, VT, where she loved to spend summers. ■ Class President **Edward (Hank) Ferry**, whose winter baseball choice was limited to the Cleveland Indian replacement players, now happily anticipates Red Sox games in Fenway Park. ■ **Storrs Lee** and Mary Lou are back at Pemaquid Point after the winter at their Maui home. Good gardening, Storrs.

1929

Class Secretary: *Dr. Raymond J. Saulnier, 230 Heron Point, Chestertown, MD 21620-1676.*

Sadly, I report the death on October 24, 1994, at age 86 of our good friend and classmate **Robert (Bob) F.W. Meader**. Bob had a varied career as teacher of Latin and English; lecturer and writer on early American art and crafts; curator for nearly 20 years of the Shaker Museum in Old Chatham, NY; and librarian for 13 years at Hancock Shaker Village in Pittsfield, MA. In every way a distinguished career. ■ I must also report the death on July 11, 1994, of **Mary Enid Tillapaugh**, who worked for some 40 years in New

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York City as an assessor in the marine insurance business, then retired to her family home in Torrington, CT. ■ Our sympathy to **Ruth Bly Illingsworth**, whose husband, Reginald, passed away on October 20, 1994. Ruth's new address is Nottingham Village Retirement Center, 1000 Strawbridge Rd., Northumberland, PA 17857. ■ On a happier note, we learn from **Dorothy Dietz Lobban** that she attended the wedding of her third granddaughter in April 1994. While she spent the next two weeks in Bryn Mawr hospital, recovering from a mild stroke, there were no serious physical impairments from it. We wish her well, forgive her for not getting to the 1994 reunion, and remind her (and all of us) that 1999 is not so far away.

1930

Class Secretary: *Mrs. Beecher W. Dudey (Helen Kendall), 220 Ash St., Corinth, NY 12822.*

I am sorry to report that I was housebound all winter after a bad fall on November 18. I was feeling much better by spring and hoped to get to Midd for our 65th Reunion. ■ We regret to report the death of **Laurence H. Wilson** on February 16, 1995. The sympathy of the class goes out to his wife, Eleanor (Morse), who grew up with me in Worcester, MA, and their two sons, Donald and Edward. A memorial appears elsewhere in this issue.

1931

REUNION CLASS

Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Edward W. Toomey (Mary Stolte), RD 3, Box 301, Grafton, VT 05146 (May to October), 17615 Front Beach Rd., Panama City Beach, FL 32413 (November to April); and Mr. E. Parker Calvert, 6251 Old Dominion Dr., #225, McLean, VA 22101.*

Gwen Mason Lake reports a new address: 11630 Glenarm Rd., #601, Glen Arm, MD 21057. Her phone is 410/817-4322. Gwen finds her Presbyterian home a delightful place and it's not far from her son's family. ■ Not only is **Theta Conant Claflin** teaching as a volunteer, but she is also dancing up a storm ■ **Dick Fear** took his annual trip to enjoy British theatre, but regretted he had to cancel one to Southeast Asia. ■ **Nathalie Lewis Emery** writes that she is well. ■ **Harriet Eliot** was tempted to come to VT last fall for a wedding. She is still recovering from surgery, but is bouncing back. Whatever gave you the idea that I raked my acreage, Shadow? I let the north wind blow leaves away! ■ News came from Harry B. Howe that **Ethel Rogers Byers** has become an avid bridge player. She also teaches a knitting class at Waterford and assists residents who have health problems. ■ **Betty Pease Felt** also plays bridge and attends musical events. Her gardening is now restricted to house plants, but she has been lucky in obtaining outdoor help. ■ I (**Mary Stolte Toomey**) have had recent visits with Phil and **Marian Tolles Chase** and with **Ruth Wills Meade**. I had a recent telephone chat with **Kenneth MacClelland**, who has completed his novel and is looking forward to reunion in '96. **Parker Calvert** adds that later word from the MacClellands revealed that their plans include a long summer trip through Russia. ■ **Phil Brewer** wrote two nice letters. ■ I (Mary) enjoy woodcarving as well as serving as a volunteer aid assisting foreign students in mastering English pronunciation and conversation. ■ Erhart Muller, husband of **Ruth Atwood Muller**, was recently honored by Harvard, MA, for his longtime environmental service as a member of the Harvard Conservation Commission and for his leadership as a founder of the private Conservation Trust.

1932

Class Secretaries: *Dr. and Mrs. Gray N. Taylor (Georgiana Hulett), 182 Lancaster St., Albany, NY 12210.*

We regret to report the death of **John Roderick Falby** at the Arbors in Shelburne, VT, on December 27, 1994. In 1947 he moved to the Concord, NH, area and started the Jack Sprat Potato Chip Company in his barn. Asked, "Why potato chips?" he replied, "It seemed like a good idea at the time!" Later he joined the Farm Bureau Insurance Company, now Concord General Mutual Insurance Company, where he became a vice president. He retired at age 60 to summer in West Campton, NH, and spend winters in Englewood, FL. He was an avid golfer, a painter, loved woodworking, and built one of his own homes. A gentle man with an ever-ready sense of humor, John was a successful gardener, using both conventional and hydroponic methods. We are indebted to his son, J. Roderick Jr. '61, for writing us about John's life. We send the condolences of our class to all of John's family. A memorial appears elsewhere in this issue.

1933

Class Secretary: *Mrs. W. Dale Brown (Miriam Barber), 22 Horizon Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850.*

Alice Denio Rulison has finally retired! She's looking forward to volunteer work in various areas, while getting used to sleeping later in the morning. She has three great-grandchildren and a granddaughter working in Kenya. ■ Coping valiantly with serious physical problems are **Phil** and **Helen Easton Carpenter**, Mil and **Fen Buffum, Reggie House**, and Tom and **Ginnie Whittier Warthin**. We're rooting for all of you! ■ **Betty Nesbitt** is able to manage because "our retirement and health services are excellent." ■ **Florence Martin Hubbard** keeps in touch with Betty, as well as with Alberta Potter Brennen '32. ■ Sympathy has been extended to the family of

Margaret Eaton Guillmette, whose obituary appeared in the spring issue. Her husband has since died. ■ Louise Feather Waggoner '35 is living in Kendal at Hanover, a NH retirement complex where several Midd alums reside, including our **"Noddy."** ■ "Yours truly," **Mim Barber Brown**, and husband Dale plan to move to a similar setting, Waterman Village in Mt. Dora, FL, in about a year and a half, to be nearer their offspring located in FL and SC. ■ Our condolences go to the family of **Milton J. Wooding**, who died on April 5. He and Helen were married for 58 years and have one son and two grandsons. There is little in the line of community service and active participation in church and fraternal groups or educational circles untouched by "Woody." Many awards were bestowed upon him over the years. A memorial appears elsewhere in this issue.

1934

Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Andrew W. Reid (Eleanor Orde), 25 Hough Rd., Lebanon, NH 03766; and James A. Fechheimer, 26 Salem Way, Glen Head, NY 11545.*

Two of our classmates have died in recent months: **Abram E. Manell** on December 11, 1994, at his home in Arlington, VA, and **Travis Harris** on Palm Sunday, April 9, 1995. Memorials appear elsewhere in this issue. The Class of 1934 extends deepest sympathy to their families. ■ **Betty Brown Hoffmann** has been enjoying her granddaughter, Taylor, and recently exhibited some of her own watercolors in two shows. She has been elected to the board of a local paper, *Linden Life*, for which she writes book reviews. ■ **Marion Goodale** and her sister spent a week last fall on Cape Cod, where they enjoyed a fine visit with **Anna Tuthill White** (Room 5005, 100 Heatherwood Dr., Yarmouthport, MA 02675). Anna is able to walk around the neighborhood of the retirement facility where she lives and enjoys a book club. ■ In November 1993, **Sands Burchard Robart** and her daughter flew to Nairobi, Kenya, and went on safari in the Tanzania National Park. She got to feed giraffes and remembers particularly the beautiful cloud formations. In spring 1994 she traveled to London and this May she was going to Alaska. Keep it up, Sandie! ■ **William ("Bud")** and **Jeanette Stone Matteson** have a new address: 233 Bentley Dr., Naples, FL 33963. ■ **Eleanor Orde Reid** is taking an ILEAD (Institute of Lifelong Education at Dartmouth) course on Islam, finding it very interesting and instructive.

1935

Class Secretaries: *Alma Davis Struble (Mrs. Robert), 1977 Marlboro Rd., Kennett Square, PA 19348; and the Rev. Leland Hunt, 10 Murray St., Norwalk, CT 06851.*

From **Sarah Low Elliott Ordway** comes a fascinating account of her travels through Europe. Yes, her French classes were helpful in Paris; she managed a note on the Alpenhorn; the Black Forest was black in name only; and Amsterdam guards its diamond cutting establishments fiercely. ■ **Avis Fischer** has a new address: Wood River Village J 102, 3200 Bensalem Rd., Bensalem, PA 19020. ■ **Jean Wiley Zwickel** recalls that "Doc" Cook's American literature course "inspired deeper thinking than ever before." She reports that she is "still plugging for the liberation of our colony, Puerto Rico, and the 15 Puerto Rican political prisoners held solely for their struggle for the freedom of their country. Jean is tutoring in the Laubach program and enjoys some of the special advantages of being a senior citizen. ■ **Millie Aubrey Monagan** and Walter flew to Bermuda for a short stay recently. They also took in *Show Boat* in Toronto. ■ **Natalie Dunsmoor**'s letter included an impressive list of trips here in the East. Then she was off to visit friends and attend the National Literacy Volunteers Convention in CA. ■ This year has provided **Gertrude Knight Cleverdon** some very special memories: a wonderful family celebration of her 80th birthday and a fantastic eight-day stay in Vienna. ■ **Virginia Easler Wilson** declares they don't do a thing, but her list of activities belies the statement. Their travels included a trip to Arkansas to visit friends. ■ **Doris Anderson Carlson** and her husband are planning to move to Briarwood, the retirement settlement where **Betty Coley Congdon** and several other Midd graduates are living. ■ It is our sad task to report the loss of two more classmates. ■ We regret to report the death of **Anthony H. Lang** on January 29, 1994. ■ **Frances Bouton Wagner** died in August 1994. I remember her as active in the orchestra and choral groups and a formidable opponent in volleyball. After Midd she received a master's degree from NY State and went on to teach English in various NY schools. She also taught English as a second language for the Berlitz school. We send our heartfelt sympathy to Frances's husband, Kenneth, and to Janet and Catherine, her daughters.

1936

Reunion Class

Class Secretaries: *Ed and Ruth (McNulty) Howard, Mountain View Estate, 19125 N. 93 Ave., Peoria, AZ 85382.*

Dick Hubbard helps us to prepare for what the campus will look like when we return next year for our 60th Reunion. Porter Field is now a $1,400,000 sports area for soccer, track, field, and a myriad of other sports activities. The "gym," as we called it, has become the center of student activities. Brown pool, also housed in McCullough, is to be replaced with office space and a new swimming facility is planned in conjunction with a new ice hockey rink in the Memorial Fieldhouse complex. Wouldn't Duke have loved this! Even the Center for the Arts is maturing. Landscaping has apparently softened the effect, and the building is starting to "grow on people." All of this reminds us that Middlebury is fast approaching its 200th birthday. May we all be around to blow out a candle. ■ **Ham Shea**'s voice hasn't changed in more than 60 years. Either it was old then or it is still young now. He's doing well, living alone this past year in what sounds like a very attractive adult community. Still very active in volunteer work in a number of areas. He has become a bridge player and has finally found a poker game. He planned to head to WI for the summer where cool weather, multi-baths, and five bedrooms will entice the Shea clan. Ham says how lucky he is to have two great daughters. ■ Talked to **Gus** and Kate **Brooks**. All goes well with them despite the common ailments we all share and the problems we all face. ■ **Jerry Kevan Philpott**, our Canadian athlete, reports that she set three provincial records and one national record for the 200-meter crawl. She gave up skiing for swimming this year, the year that Canada had more snow than ever remembered. ■ **Mavis Jones Little** was hoping to get to FL and East Hampton. In the summer she reports there's lots to do in the Berkshires and Saratoga. Williamstown is so accessible. In the winter she plays bridge. ■ **Ed** and **Ruth McNulty Howard** spent their usual fall weeks at Hilton Head, SC, including one week with daughter Janie, which made our stay more memorable. We are pursuing our normal semi-quasi loafing life, contributing some of our time to community activities, and Ed a great deal of time to being chairman of the house committee of Union Hills Country Club. Last week Ed won the Low Net Champion for 1995 Arizona Seniors Golf Association—and I won 10 bucks on a Union Hills Palmbrook exchange. So it goes! ■ Sadly, we must report the death of **Dorothy Symonds Spendlove** in February. We send the condolences of the class to her family. ■ And we grieve with **Maggie Leach Harris** upon the loss of her dear husband, Travis '34. We remember one Homecoming we spent at their beautiful home where they so generously and graciously welcomed us. It was something we will not forget. ■ Keep going, gang. Think '96. By the time you read this, Midd '96 will be less than a year away.

1937

Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Barbara Hopkins (Barbara Gregory), 1021 W. Devonshire Rd., Delafield, WI 53018; and the Rev. Loring D. Chase, 10 Surry Hill Dr., Keene, NH 03431.*

Dotty Mathison Scott and husband Bob celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary (May 13, 1994) by flying off to Paris! They spent half their time in France, including the landing beaches of Normandy, and the other half visiting Munich, Prague, Bratislava, Budapest, Vienna, and Salzburg. They summered on Cape Cod, enjoying their two-year-old grandson and family for several weeks. When she wrote, they were getting ready to spend January, February, and March skiing at the Middlebury Snow Bowl. Now, *that's* endurance! ■ "At our age, survival is the name of the game," comments **Marshall Sewell**, who has survived, but had a rough year with emergency surgery and

When Ed and Jeanne Chatfield Addison '44 visited Irving '44 and Muriel Roome Wakeman '44 at their NJ home, '44 classmates Ruth Waldmann, Ruth Green, Jane Landes, and Nancy Read joined them for a mini-reunion.

pneumonia. He says he is now "a guinea pig for my three doctors' dietary research." Last spring he visited the site of his WWII Army camp in Spartanburg, SC, found photos, and wrote a brief history of the camp. This project prompted him to urge classmates to supply the College with ideas for a historical museum as part of its bicentennial observance. "This may assure that our generation is remembered when the partying begins." ■ **Mary Taylor Stocker** doubts that she's growing old "gracefully," but she tries to do so cheerfully. She says she's reached "the total anecdotal stage." ■ **Larry Shields** still practices the clarinet every day and plays with two bands comprised of retirees in the Coral Springs, FL, area. "It's a good hobby and provides social contacts as well." As you will remember, Larry was a very talented player with the Black Panthers on campus. Larry reminds us that he spent two years "scrounging up money" and one year at Worcester Polytech, which leaves him a bit older than the rest of the class: "Eighty-one! Holy Mackerel! Can you believe it? Also can you believe 37 years with, and on, aircraft?" ■ During a recent trip to AK, **Beulah Shepard Towne** enjoyed a two-day visit with **Arne Bulkeley Beltz**, her roommate on Weybridge Street in graduate school days. She got to see the Arne Beltz Building, housing the Health and Human Services office in Anchorage. Heading to FL with her husband after Christmas in Wilmington, NC, Beulah sent cheerful greetings "to other surviviors of the Class of '37." ■ **Erwin Warren**, who used to live "two miles up Case Street from East Middlebury," traveled from Oregon to attend a banquet for graduates of Middlebury High School. He reports that the tree we planted at our 50th Reunion is still thriving. ■ **Susan Hathaway Hopper** enjoys seeing **Margaret Scherholz Delfausse**, now that they both live in Middlebury. She also sees **Lois Bestor Craig** at church. Sue's knee operation took time to heal, but she "danced at a granddaughter's wedding." Sue says she will miss granddaughter Heather Mead '95 and her friends when they graduate and leave Middlebury. ■ **Gertrude Dole** reports that she is "still writing up results of field work on South American Indians and high-hill farming in VT." Gertrude intended to major in French at Midd, until she encountered "Longy" Longworth's introductory biology, which "opened my eyes to the processes of life itself, which were more interesting than anything I could have imagined." She went on to obtain her Ph.D. from the Univ. of MI (1957) and became a research associate in anthropology at the Museum of Natural History. ■ **Chuck** and Helene Cosenza '38 **Chase** recently visited Ruth and Jack Connor '41, **Lois Bestor Craig**, and Charles and Tommy Leslie Hall '38 at Wake Robin Retirement Village in Shelburne, VT. In Middlebury, the Chases had dinner with Anna Nolin '95, the recipient for the last three years of the Class of '37 scholarship award. Anna talked about teaching and how much she loves it. She is a person for the whole class to be proud of and keep track of in future reports of the Class of '95. ■ Ginny Easler Wilson '35 recently sent an article describing the very active volunteer life of **Muriel (Juno) Jones Corbett** in the Venice, FL, hospital. Juno and her husband, Ross, have been volunteers for over 20 years and are currently chairing the scholarship committee and serving as editor in chief of the magazine describing the activities of over 1,100 volunteers. The Corbetts have also served as presidents of the hospital auxiliary volunteers. We are proud of you, Juno.

On October 14, 1994, nearly 230 friends and relatives of Chuck and Ruth Huff Allen '44 gathered in Livonia, MI, to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. Ruth's classmates Lois Hofmann Blittersdorf, Molly Sparks Cook, Don and Marge Palmer Maxham, and Bill and Ingrid Monk Stevenson were there for the weekend festivities.

1938

Class Secretaries: *Miss Madeline S. Buttles, 161 Church St., Rutland, VT 05701; Mr. Allison S. Beebe, 13 Heritage Hill, RR 3, Box 8324, Rutland, VT 05701.*

We extend deepest sympathy to the family of **Emily Barclay Jackson,** who will be sadly missed. Friends and classmates are welcome to contribute to a fund to plant a tree on the campus in her memory. Contributions in excess of the cost of the tree will go to the Class of 1938 Memorial Fund as part of the Alumni Endowment. Checks should be earmarked for the Emily Barclay Jackson Memorial and sent to Ann Crumb, Director of Development, Forest Hall, Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT 05753. ■ Word has been received of the death of **Paul B. Guarnaccia** on September 28, 1994. We send the sympathy of the class to Helene and the family. ■ **Jim** and **Florence Hulme Miner** enjoyed a great winter break with a visit to the San Blas Islands and the Pearl Islands off the coasts of Panama, with a transit of the canal in between. A high point of the trip was a voyage up the Sambu River in a dugout canoe into the Darian jungle to visit to Choca Indian village. ■ **Jean Dusenberry Brown** is living north of Sun City, AZ, "in top health, volunteering, working in church, enjoying my daughter who is an obgyn specialist here. Will be in England in May to visit my eldest. Current project: working with granddaughter to bring her and Midd together." Dusey remembers taking courses with Waldo Heinrich, Reginald Cook, and Douglas Beer. ■ **Bet Osborne Hadden** and her daughter, Linda, recently spent several weeks in the Middlebury area. They walked the town, the campus, spent time at Bread Loaf, and visited the Robert Frost cottage. Golf was also on the agenda. Bet reports that her father died recently, at the age of 103. The Haddens visited Middlebury frequently during our freshman year and were a great favorite with the 13 girls who lived at Eddy House. ■ **Becki Abbott Brooks** spent the winter in San Francisco near son Buzz, who helped her celebrate her birthday. Son Peter in Paris called to suggest that Becki start making plans for a summer visit. While in the San Francisco area, Becki caught up on news with **Jean Clarke Gage** in Tiburon and had a visit from "Laddie" (Edith Ladd) Evans '41 in late March. She also called **Betty Sharley Reid** in Atherton, CA, and learned from her husband, Doc, that Betty had Lou Gehrig's disease. Sadly, we have since learned of Betty's death in April. We send the condolences of the class to Betty's family. ■ For those who love VT, **Madeline Buttles** would like to recommend an Elderhostel she attended recently in East Craftsbury. She enjoyed the program covering pioneer women, VT in the Civil War, and hiking in the Northeast Kingdom.

1939

Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. Thor B. Gustafson (Carol Miner), One Prudence La., Brookside, NJ 07926; and Mrs. Raymond J. Skinner (Ruth Coleman), Brainerd St., P.O. Box 52, Danville, VT 05828.*

We are sorry to report the death of **Elinor Wieland Cain**'s husband, Nelson, in February 1994. Elinor visited **Jean Fisher** and Meg Kielman Sitterly '40 en route to New England last July. In VT, she had lunch with Dr. Stephen Freeman and attended two Mozart Festival concerts with Margaret Shaub '41 and Audrey Hope Wouters '41. Last September found her in Europe on a three-week tour of 10 countries: "Exhausting but fun." ■ Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to **Betty (BG) Heldman de Veer** whose husband, Bob '41, passed away in January after a long bout with cancer. Memorial services were held in May in Northfield, MA, where they have lived since retirement. ■ We were sorry to learn of the death of Linda Joy Rafuse Volkert, age 41, daughter of **Jean Briggs (Rafuse) Fisher** and the late Prof. Robert W. Rafuse. We extend our sympathy to Jean. ■ **Norm Smith** writes from Mystic, CT, that he is "still strong, healthy, and involved in many activities." He enjoys sailing, on day trips or long cruises, and spends winter preparing for the next sailing season. Although he has not returned for reunions in many years, he has strong and beautiful memories of our college days. ■ **Roland Anderson** has kept very busy in his 15 retirement years, studying Spanish, traveling, reading, and playing tennis and golf. His surviving son, Craig, an architect for IBM in Dallas, is the father of three sons. ■ **Meme Manning Baldwin**

feels fortunate that she and husband Bob are blessed with good health and energy. They had a wonderful 50th anniversary celebration, which made it impossible for her to attend our 55th Reunion. They had 45 guests, including their son and wife from London and their daughter, Emily Baldwin McPhie '75, and her family from Bangladesh. We send our sympathy to Meme on the loss of her mother in Worcester, MA. ■ Illness in the family kept **Mary Macfarlane Kelley** from attending the 55th. Hope to see her at the 60th. ■ **Cora May Farrier Wade**'s address has been changed to The Willows, #406, One Lyman St., Westborough, MA, 01581. ■ **Joyce MacKenzie Cropsey** has had a busy year. She is working on a video of the art of H.T. Graves (Buck's uncle). In May she was off to southern France and then on a family tour of England. ■ **Irene Fernandez Anderson** reports that husband Norman's operation (which prevented them from attending reunion) was a great success. They are back to playing golf almost every day. They were off for CA the middle of April for more golf and a visit with son Kirk's family and the christening of their grandson. They love their new condo in Virginia Beach. ■ **Ruthie Coleman Skinner** was leaving for NC the middle of April. She also hoped to visit her brother in DC. She has seen **Mel** and **Dot Korb Carter** once or twice a month. The Carters spent time in the Carolinas last winter. ■ The **Gustafsons** spent a great couple of weeks in CA with family, leaving before the rains flooded CA. We drove over to Reno amongst snow-covered mountains and marveled again at the Donner Pass.

1940

Class Secretaries: *Bob and Bobbie Plumer Alden, 51 Otterside Ct., Middlebury, VT 05753.*

"Can you believe," writes **Margaret Heald Lawton**, "that at 76 we have a new grandchild?" Granddaughter Sydney Rae arrived on August 7, 1994. Both mom and dad (Margaret's son) are airline pilots! Margaret had another knee replacement looming before her for spring '95, but she was hoping to make our 55th! ■ **Marjorie Burditt Striker** reports that she is "enjoying my acre of woods, visiting five nearby grandchildren, volunteering in prison programs, and gardening." ■ We are sorry to report the death of **Patricia May Taylor** on November 13, 1994, after a long battle with emphysema. Patty was a keen skier and a French major at Middlebury. After marrying Dick Taylor '37, Patty studied for her post-graduate degree at the Perkins Institute for the Blind in Watertown, MA. The family lived in London when Dick was posted to the U.S. Embassy there, returning later to Wilton, CT, where Patty became very involved in outreach programs for educating the blind. We send condolences to all her family. ■ We also regret to report the death of **Cameron McGraw** on April 24, 1995, in Philadelphia. ■ An update from **John Mahoney**, who refers to himself as "the derailed Berkshire Express," informs us that he suffered a stroke on February 5, resulting in 42 days of hospitalization. Since then he has been working with visiting nurses and a physical therapist once a week. We were sorry to hear that this situation means we will not get to see him at our 55th Reunion. John wished a grand time for all in attendance and asked to be remembered to all.

1941

REUNION CLASS

Class Secretary: *Lester W. Ingalls, P.O. Box 583, Middlebury, VT 05753.*

Words cannot express our profound regret at the loss of our cherished class co-secretary, **Topsy Wadlund House**, who died in April. Tops was a loving, caring friend, devoted to our College and to all of us. As we contemplate our 55th Reunion next year, her lively mind and boundless enthusiasm will be sorely missed. ■ Thanks to **Merritt Garland**, who is still thriving in Greenfield, MA, we received press clippings about the death of **Bob de Veer**. We were saddened as well by the death of **Al Dodge**. Both were loyal and supportive friends and classmates. Our deepest condolences go to their families. Memorials for Topsy, Bob, and Al appear elsewhere in this issue. ■ **Sara Martenis Townsend** is now retired and doing work for AARP on advance directories: "Everyone should have them *now*." ■ A long letter in February from **George "Bud" Berry** expressed his concerns about the lifestyles of the current occupants of the Middlebury campus. Why can't they be like us? Otherwise, Bud is alive and well and as feisty as ever. ■ An equally fulsome report from **Charles** and **Doris Wolff Bartlett**. Space constraints preclude a lengthy summary. Suffice to say they are busy as always and were off on a Caribbean cruise in March. They recently enjoyed a family reunion with Scott and Leonore Wolff Eakely, both '43, and Sybil and Dick Wolff '48. ■ **Bill** and Bert Waite '38 **Markland** were in Middlebury for Homecoming last September, with **Mose** and **Elizabeth Wolfington Hubbard**, faithful participants in many celebratory events at Ye College. ■ **William McMahon** spent last summer visiting his younger daughter in France. ■ Inveterate travelers Georgie and **Jim Turley** recently traveled to Russia. They were impressed with the music and ballet, but not by the economy: "Even a commissar is not as well off as the least of us."

1942

Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. John F. Bates (Nancy Rindfusz), 341 Long Reach Dr., Salem, SC 29676.*

We have new addresses for **Lucille Plasman Grosse** (34 Nagog Hill Rd., Acton, MA 01720); **Mary Tudbury** (339 Gifford St., Falmouth, MA 02540); **Dorothy Edmonds Mahoney** (417 Churchill Ave., #203, Syracuse, NY 13205); **Joan Calley Cooper** (109 Merced Hill, #3F, San Francisco, CA 94132); and Paul '40 and **Peg Woods Eriksson** (P.O. Box 62, Forest Dale, VT 05745). The Erikssons now have their office in their home. ■ **Bob Rivel** is in the VT Veterans Home in Bennington. Helen wants to keep in touch with Midd friends and will play in the Gordie Perine '49 Golf Tournament. ■ We regret to report the death of **F. Alfred Patterson** (Bo) in FL on January 18, 1995, after a long illness. ■ **Lois Grimm Dustin** died on October 15, 1994, the day after a game of tennis. Very active to the end, she left a lot of friends behind. Lois married John Dustin right after Middlebury and they

ALUMNI CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST

30-Sept.3	Alumni College XX, Bread Loaf

SEPTEMBER

8-9	Gordon C. Perine Golf Tournament
15-17	Alumni Leadership Conference, Bread Loaf
26-Oct. 9	Alumni Tour to Russia
29-Oct. 1	Parents' Weekend I

OCTOBER

12	Professor Rich Wolfson, Minneapolis
13-15	Homecoming Weekend
18	Continuing Education, Boston, Professor Glenn Andres, Concord Museum (Pieter Schiller '60)
27-29	Parents' Weekend II

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lived in Buffalo until his retirement 10 years ago. We send condolences to John and children Bill, Peter, and Deborah. A memorial appears elsewhere in this issue. ■ Middlebury Prof. Emeritus **David K. Smith** gave a talk on VT humor for the North Hero Historical Society last October. Wish we could have heard him! ■ Harry and **Sue Hulings Ottinger**, who traveled all over the U.S. last year, celebrated their 50th anniversary by taking the family to Costa Rica. ■ Arlene and **Bob Bredenberg** traveled 9,000 miles in their motorhome between November and April. "We visited family and friends in CA, NV, and AZ. The highlight was a 14-day caravan into Mexico with a group of 27 motorhomes. ■ **Hope Rood Redway** gets to the States every year to see her sister; spends February in Kenya with friends; and in May goes to Israel where she and John honeymooned. ■ **Bill Wood** recently visited the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston and the Peabody Museum in Salem. Bill, who was on a Navy ship during WW II and anchored off the Sandy Hook lighthouse many times, recently met the Sandy Hook lighthouse keeper there when Bill was on patrol. Bill has 175 photos of lighthouses in his collection. ■ Dot and **Dixie Davis** did their jazz thing all over the East. He still plays a good game of golf. ■ Denny and **Harriet Tillinghast Fuller** did the British Isles last fall and stayed with **Hope Redway** at her home on the Channel. ■ **Ann Curtis Wood** is into archaeology in Yucatan, Balize, Guatemala, and Greece. She welcomes classmates to visit her brownstone in Brooklyn. She catches up with **Marion Anderson Jordan**, who travels and is enjoying her grandchildren. Ann has given up skiing and horseback riding and walks now for exercise. ■ Last year, John and **Mary Eimer Leinbach** took an enjoyable trip to Zanzibar. Both have been at the Greenwich Hospital and they are thinking of a permanent home there. Sorry! Hope your troubles are over. They count seven grandchildren now. ■ **Bobbie York Linscott** is still young and working full time. ■ **Helen Hooley Young** concluded her literacy volunteer course, visits kids for holidays, and entertains friends at her beautiful condo in Venice, FL. **Bill** and **Meg Buscher Andrews** overnighted there last winter, the day after **Jack** and **Nancy Rindfusz Bates** had lunch with Helen. ■ **Elma Boyer** has traveled to Ireland and Texas. She and **Nina Camuti Danielsen** get together from time to time. ■ **Charlie** and **Ruth Taylor Clapper** had family reunions all over: FL, AK, MA, AZ, and Bellows Falls. They now have a second great-granddaughter. Wow! ■ **Phil** and **Betty Blanchard Robinson** (our rivals at fund-raising) have a newly adopted granddaughter from China. They were in FL last winter and saw **Helen Hooley Young**. The Robinsons went to Quebec to celebrate their 50th anniversary in April. ■ **Nina Camuti Danielsen** has been tripping to Italy, as well as working at Rutgers Univ. Art Museum. With the remarriage of her daughter, Nina has a new stepgrandson, making 14 grandchildren. ■ Ed and **Jane Giblin Langey** report that their eldest son, an Air Force colonel, will be stationed in HI and they're anxious to go see him! Their CA kids come east to Saybrook in the summers. ■ **Mary Clough Johnstone** has taken down the sign on her Woodstock antique shop, but will still go to shows. She spent last year taking care of her 102-year-old mother until her death. Granddaughter Jill Johnstone '92 is a grad student at the Univ. of British Columbia. ■ **Roger Arnold** took a two-week trip to NM, where he took in Carlsbad Caverns, White Sands, Santa Fe, and the balloon festival in Albuquerque. ■ **Louise Henofer Grier** won the S.C. Penney Award for outstanding volunteer service for her Art Smart program, bringing art to many schoolchildren each year. She has made hundreds of presentations to fourth and fifth graders in IN, and trains volunteers to give Art Smart programs in 109 school systems. ■ Marc Hamel is looking for information about the military career of the late **Edward Gignac**. Contact him at 105 Sugaw Ct., Garner, NC 27529 (919/662-5408). ■ While waiting for our condo to be built in NC, your secretaries are still milling around favorite haunts, seeing our various families, and welcoming friends to the sunny South. **Bill** and **Meg Buscher Andrews** joined us for a holiday on Montserrat in February. Much fun.

1943

Class Secretaries: *Mrs. J.G. Krieble (Amanda Sanborne), 3646 Tolland Rd., Shaker Heights, OH 44122; and Dr. John S. Gale, 24 Beach Rd., Gloucester, MA 01930.*

Roger Easton is enjoying the recognition being given to the Global Positioning System that he patented while doing research for the Navy. Twenty-six satellites are orbiting our planet sending out signals that describe very specifically where they are. Anyone with a small hand-held receiver on earth can lock onto four of those satellite signals at any time, at any open place on the face of the globe. Once those signals have been received, a pocket-sized computer can figure out the receiver's precise location by knowing what time it is. The most obvious use for GPS is mapping. "In the future, all surveying will be done by these," according to Roger, "so that never again will you build a house on the wrong lot." ■ An endowment fund at Lawrence Academy has been established in honor of **Charlotte Johnson Doe**, who taught Latin at Lawrence from 1973 to 1987. Since retiring, Chick has kept up a nearly full-time schedule, tutoring students and helping husband Whit, sons Larry and Jay, and daughter Nancy operate the family farm in Harvard, MA. Many friends stop by Doe Orchards to pick McIntosh apples and cut their own Christmas trees. ■ Ed '40 and **Barbara Roberts Ormsby** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Switzerland. ■ **Peter Nikitas**, whose voice over the phone sounds like Peter of old, reports that he's continuing to improve. ■ Charles and **Donna Rogers Brackett** celebrated their 50th at Gooserocks Beach, ME, with their five daughters and flocks of grandchildren. ■ **Dot Stewart Stein** has been crocheting since age five, knitting since age 10, tatting since age 13, and making bobbin lace since age 64. She has been spinning wool since 1977 and has demonstrated and taught at the Church Street Center in Burlington, VT. ■ **Vance Richardson** and wife Jan joined a group of Vance's 10th Mountain Division comrades in Italy during June 1994 to retrace the path of their WW II conquests northward from Pisa to Lake Garda, including a "re-climb" of the infamous Riva Ridge, which Vance reports seemed a bit more difficult this time around. Vance continues to ski, play tennis, attend fitness programs, do daily *NY Times* crossword puzzles, and read to a blind woman once a week. ■ **David Wood** writes that he is "retired (I think), active in church work, historical assoc., library building committee, beach walking, writing. More aware and appreciative of H.D. Thoreau's 'I have traveled widely in Concord' than ever." ■ **Steve Wilson** and wife Libby have moved from Sacramento to 2515 NE 165th St., Portland, OR 97230. ■ Ann and **Jack Lundrigan** and their family celebrated Christmas with a cruise in the Hawaiian Islands. More fun this time than your Pacific cruises of 50 years ago, Lundy? ■ **Ruth DeLong Rude**, who reports an excellent result from her recent aorto-femoral bypass operation, is looking foward to the Bread Loaf Reunion in October. ■ We regret to report the death of **James Nourse**, age 74, on December 2, 1994, in Cary, NC, following a long illness. Jim left Middlebury in 1942 to join the Naval Air Corps, flying PBYs, and returned after the war to graduate in 1947. He was associated with the Paul Revere Life Insurance Co. for 28 years. We send our condolences to Jane and the family. ■ We were also saddened to learn of the death of **Marion (Tommie) Thompson Smith** in Williamstown, MA, on October 18, 1994. She entered Middlebury from Maplewood, NJ, and will be remembered for her loyalty and generosity of spirit. ■ You will be hearing from **Kay Sempepos Silliman** about our mini-reunion at Bread Loaf this fall. It will be great to be together to celebrate our Fabulous Fifties. ■ And this from **Donna Rogers Brackett** "I'm especially sorry to miss the minireunion in October. Thanks to Mil Bonow, Marty Van Gausbeck, Lois Gilmore, Lonny Hadley, Kit Hodges, Mandy Krieble, Janet Laine, Bobby Ormsby, and Anne Willis who wrote 'wish you were here' notes during our 50th reunion—so very thoughtful and much appreciated!"

1944

Class Secretaries: *Dr. and Mrs. Neil Atkins (Marylu Graham), 12 Carter Rd., New London, NH 03257.*

Dorothy and **Bob Reuman** recently returned from a 13,000-mile, three-month trek through the southern states, from Key West, FL, to CA and back. "We camped and slept in the van, visited friends, and participated in 3 1/2 Elderhostels, with lots of bird-watching and nature photography tossed in. Saw George '47 and **Joanne Buckeridge Booth** in Arlington, and **Al** and Hedy Hogg '45 **Boissevain** in CA wine country." Of course, they also visited their offspring, Jon Reuman '78 and Dr. Beth Reuman Hemond '84. ■ Although technically retired from publishing in 1992, **Peter Jennison** remains active and has chronicled the his-

tory of Woodstock, VT. He is also involved with the Planning Commission, the Historical Society, and the Norman Williams Library. ■ **Sarah** (Sally) **Curtis** reports that "retirement continues to be great, with much singing and church-related activities." ■ Contemporary VT landscape painter **Robert Klein** exhibited his most recent work last September in Stowe, VT. He is known for his striking depictions of VT's Northeast Kingdom. ■ A recent story in a Toledo, OH, newspaper reported on the physical prowess and endurance of **Arthur (Stod) Johnson**, who plays tennis twice a week and runs three or four times weekly. He took up track at Middlebury and went into it seriously in 1968, while still city auditor of Toledo. "Since then," says Stod, "I've logged at least 30,000 miles." Between 1971 and 1978, he ran 14 marathons, including Boston and Detroit. He was director or co-director of the Glass City Marathon in 8 of its first 10 years, starting in 1972. ■ We regret to report the death of **Jean Ledden Gordon** on November 3, 1994, after a long illness. The sympathy of the class goes out to her husband, Bruce, daughter Linda, and their three grandchildren. A memorial appears elsewhere in this issue. ■ We are saddened also to report the death of **Peter Hoff** on October 6, 1994, after several years of poor health. He was a professor of foreign language studies at Northern MI Univ. in Marquette from 1967 until his retirement in 1988. ■ After a visit from Gini and **Al Rathbun, Al** and Hedy Hogg '45 **Boissevain** joined the group study cruise to the Adriatic, Greek Islands, and the Turkish coast. ■ Bill and **Betty Mercer McChrystal** enjoyed a cruise through the Panama Canal in early November. ■ In her Christmas letter from Oslo, Norway, **Dorothy Burton Skardal** reflected on our 50th Reunion: "I found the whole experience quite existential, raising unanswerable questions deep inside about time and change and memory: remembering, renewal, rejoicing, and sorrow all mixed up together." We believe she spoke for us all.

Doer's Profile

Name:
Ann Battelle '89

Occupation:
Professional Skier

Ann Battelle has skied in two Winter Olympics, won the Nationals as a member of the U.S. Freestyle Team, and is on the World Cup Team representing the U.S.

When Did You Start Skiing? When I was five or so, but I didn't start skiing moguls until high school. All through high school and college soccer was my big deal. Not until after I graduated from college did I decide to try my luck at competing in mogul skiing.

What Is Mogul Skiing? We go down about 225 meters of moguls—part of it is speed, part of it is how you look, the turns and line. Legs together, upper body doesn't move. You have to do two jumps in the middle. Skiing moguls really gets my adrenaline going.

Favorite Ski Spot: I've skied all over the world—Japan, France, Scandinavia, Austria, Italy—but the best place to ski, the "funnest" mountain, is in Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

When Will You Retire? I hope to ski in the next Olympics and then retire.

What Do You Do When Not Skiing? I do tons of hiking, running, cooking—I like to bake anything with lots of sugar and butter.

Secret Vices: Sweets. And I like to sneak off for a beer sometimes in the off season.

After Retirement, What? I'd like to go back to school—business school; ultimately, I'd like to own a café/bakery in a ski town. And I'd like to coach at the regional level. I know how much my coaches have done for me. I think it's important to give back to the sport. ■

1945

Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Winslow Wetherbee Jr. (Barbara Boyden), 1642 18th St., Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223; and Alan Wolfley, 22 Canaan Close, New Canaan, CT 06840.*

Richard Merrill was featured at a recent meeting of Greater Haverhill (MA) Poets. He presented "Poetics for the Young at Heart," with readings from French poet Jacques Prévert in French and English. Richard was an interpreter with the Army in France and is a former French teacher at Haverhill High. ■ **Helena Gilda Cioffi Stoffel** sent news from Italy, reporting that people were still bathing in the sea on October 12. Traveling from London to Scotland, Budapest, Prague, Berlin, and Italy, her trip was marred only by the loss of the bag containing all of her clothes. As for traveling, she says, "It's not as easy as it used to be!" ■ Another world traveler was **Ruth Taylor Wilcoxson**, who cruised the British Isles from Copenhagen, with stops in Norway, Scotland, Orkney Islands, Guernsey, and Wales. The July weather was sunny and mild, seas calm! Ruth's daughter, Lesley Kuzmanoff, has completed a surgical residency at the Univ. of IL Medical Center in Chicago and is on the staff of a Chicago hospital. ■ The remarkable career of the late **Lot Page** received tribute in a recent memorial minute of the faculty of medicine at Harvard. While Lot was chief of medicine at Newton-Wellesley Hospital (1966-85), he made biennial expeditions to various regions of the world, which led him to the observation that blood pressure does not increase with age in unacculturated populations, as it commonly does in the developed world.

1946

Reunion Class
Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Donald T. Means (Mary Nasmith), 3414 Miller Heights Rd., Oakton, VA 22124; and Sheila Schmidt (Hamilton) Rowland, 1152 East St., Southington, CT 06489.*

Tim and **Phyllis Faber Warren** have lived in Concord, MA, since 1950. In a ceremony this March, they were recognized as Concord's Honored Citizens for 1995. As "two of the town's most

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active and public-spirited citizens," they were commended for devoting "an extraordinary amount of their time and effort to a host of public duties and private charities. Their quiet way of giving of their time and energy serves as a model of what it is to be a Concordian." Their list of activities is long and wide, including the town report committee, youth board, library committee, Community Chest, American Field Service, scouting, the arts, American Red Cross, Cancer Society, American Field Service, mental health and aging agencies, church responsibilities, Meals on Wheels, and the Boston Council for International Visitors. Their son Tim is now president and CEO of Warren Publishing; daughter Betsey is a teacher; and son Peter is a partner in a law firm. The Warrens are also avid gardeners. ■ Congratulations to **Marie Scudder** and Robert K. Dix, who were married on December 17, 1995. Marie writes: "I was remarried on my 70th birthday. Bob sold his house, I sold mine, and now we're combining households in a contemporary home. We have at least two of everything!" ■ **Barbara Meyer Rodney** (1340 Pomeroy Ave., #104, Santa Clara, CA 95051) recently moved to an apartment in a senior citizen retirement complex, 10 miles from her younger daughter and husband. "The CA climate is definitely a plus, after 25 years in Houston, TX," Barbara reports. ■ We are sorry to report the death of **Ruth Black Beck** on November 25, 1993.

1947

Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Robert E. Fry (Betsy Hornaday), 405 Vassar Ave., Swarthmore, PA 19081; and Mrs. Benjamin W. Heath (Joyce Walsh), 13 Marble St., Brandon, VT 05733.*

We regret to report the passing of three classmates. **Eric O. Bunzel** died on February 15, 1995, after a courageous battle with cancer. **Howard V. Young, Jr.,** passed away on September 17, 1994, and **Robert J. Brinning** died on November 23, 1993. Memorials appear elsewhere in this issue. The sympathy of the class goes out to their families. ■ We have a new address to report for **Alice Ashley Costello**: 1221 El Prado #307, Torrance, CA 90504.

1948

Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kellogg (Marya Steele), 7 Murdock Ct., Middlebury, VT 05753.*

Our '48 Scholarship Fund (now about $95,000 at market) was awarded this year to Isaac Davis '97. He comes from a small town in NH, where his father is a pastor and mother a substitute teacher. He writes that "without this generous aid it would be difficult or impossible to continue here. Middlebury has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to be a student here." ■ **Henry Schneiker** has moved from Katonah, NY, to 60 Remsen St., #1E, Brooklyn, NY 11201. He felt, as did Ed Koch, that the "suburbs are sterile." He has been active in A-HOME and has become computer literate. (How many of us can say that?) ■ News of **Fred Johnston** comes from a Pinehurst Country Club publication. While golfing at the Williston, VT, Country Club last summer, Fred was aided by 10 one-putt greens and two chip-ins to score his age of 68. ■ **Graham Shovelton** was delighted to see the Midd hockey team in his home town playing against the Univ. of AL, Huntsville. We understand he took his grandchildren to the game. ■ Dr. **Louise Planck Terry** received her fourth degree from Middlebury: B.A. '48 (Spanish), M.A .'52 (French), D.M.L. '75, M.A. '93 (German). (Will you do Japanese before reunion, Louise?) ■ **Sandy Rosenberg** still works for NASA, at least some of the time, since he wrote of pleasure trips to Europe and around the U.S. ■ Responding to our request for information on the Donald McGuire House at the Opportunity Farm for Boys, **Nan Weale McGuire** sent a great packet of material. We will keep this for our reunion in 1998. Attending the dedication of the building last year were Barb and **Stew Washburn** and Priscilla and **Dave Smith**. ■ Our sympathy goes out to Bob '49 and **Kaye Sturges Trimmer** whose daughter Nancy died in March. She was predeceased by a sister. ■ We are saddened to have two of our class in the obituaries of this issue. **Ann Grimshaw Kempers** has left four children, two of whom are Midd graduates. **Peg Matulis**'s niece, Margaret Johnson, sent this note, which Peg had written: "To all my friends: For the last two years I have had pneumonia during the holidays, as for this year??? I want you to know that I am thinking about you."

1949

Class Secretaries: *Patricia Allen Guthrie, P.O. Box 1804, Wolfeboro, NH 03894; and the Rev. Harold Richardson, 39 Spinners Run, South Windsor, CT 06074.*

Middlebury's new 100-meter track piqued the interest of **Dix Hemphill**, former Midd track captain. At the age of 70, Dix plans to compete in the Iron Man Triathlon in HI next October! Even after living 30 years in VA, Dix still can't cover up his RI accent. ■ **Dave Stebbins** said he wished we could have run on a track like Midd's beautiful new addition, which surrounds a new women's soccer field. ■ Outstanding teaching and advising are cited in the Seymour Simches Award given to Dr. **Frank Colcord**, head of the political science dept. at Tufts 1969-79. Those were "very wild political times, and everybody was an activist in one way or another," Frank reminisces. ■ It is sad to report the death of **Bob** and Kaye Sturges '48 **Trimmer**'s daughter, Nancy, on March 25, 1995. They have also suffered the loss of daughter Susie. Call them at 919/542-5558 when you are in the Durham-Chapel Hill area. On the brighter side, Bob has been enjoying his stint as director of the "Hominy Grits," a singing group of 32 in Pittsboro. ■ **Herb Broner** and wife Janice recently traveled to Hong Kong and Vietnam. ■ Tony '50 and **Cleone Jones Sporborg** were sorry to miss 45th Reunion, but they were in Scotland celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary. ■ This spring, Dave and **Pat Allen Guthrie** were traveling to St. Petersburg, Russia, where son Duke teaches English. Then on to England and Scotland. ■ Also this spring, **Barbara Myers White** was attending an Elderhostel in Scotland, and George and **Rachel Adkins Platt** were headed to AK. ■ A letter from Carrie Huxford '97, this year's recipient of the Class of 1949 Scholarship, informs us that she hopes to complete a double major in Spanish and history, with a minor in science and a concentration in art history. "It's a little ambitious, I'm told, but I've never chosen to do things the easy way." She thanks us for our generosity and we wish her good luck with her studies.

1950

Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Robert Kingsland (Elly Flett), 92 Foster Hill Rd., West Brookfield, MA 01585; and Mrs. F.R. Young (Anna Sherwood), 24 Whitehall Ave., Edison, NJ 08820.*

Congratulations to **John Corbisiero**, who was awarded the Certified Commercial Investment Member designation last September. CCIMs are experts in the disciplines of commercial and investment real estate and have completed 240 hours of graduate-level courses, as well as fulfilling professional experience requirements. ■ Charlie and **Jacque Snyder Braddock** retired in '90 and built a home on five acres of woods 12 miles west of Fredericksburg, VA. Jacque continues to be involved with libraries, but only as a volunteer. Reading, gardening, and her two grandsons keep her busy. Jacque and Charlie often see Bill and Jane Miller Brouwers '49. Those four recently got together for dinner with June and Dix Hemphill '49, Don '47 and Mary Nasmith Means '46, and Irene Ulmer Boublik '49. ■ **Hazel Savary Castro** is still very busy as the manager of People Educating People/Volunteers for Literacy and ESL, and as assistant director of the ABE/GED/ESL department at the College of DuPage in Glen Ellyn, IL. And, if that's not enough, she also teaches Spanish in adult continuing education and serves as VP of Language-Multi Services, offering interpreting, translation, narration, educational, and consulting services. ■ **Phil** and Sue Cooke '48 **Turnbull** spent two weeks last July in Chatham on Cape Cod with their three Brookline daughters and four of their five grandchildren. While on the Cape they saw **John O'Connor** and Bob Simpson '49. ■ We send the condolences of the class to **Che Tewksbury Jakeman**, who reports the death of her husband, Alan F. Jakeman '49, in July 1994. She is "adjusting to the single life with no one to check my bad spelling." ■ Nationally syndicated columnist **Bard Lindeman** has received the American Society on Aging's 1995 Media Award for his national coverage of the issues of aging in America. Bard's twice weekly column, "In Your Prime," provides facts, punctures stereotypes, and emphasizes the positive aspects of aging.

1951

REUNION CLASS

Class Secretaries: *Volunteers are needed to report news for the Class of 1951. For information, please call Elizabeth Hackett Robinson '84, director of alumni and parent programs, at 802/388-3711, ext. 5187.*

Donald Everett Axinn has a four-book contract with Arcade/Little, Brown. Last year his novel *Spin* was published in paperback and his sixth poetry book, *The Latest Illusion*, was published in the spring. He is now working on a new novel, *The Ego Makers*, about real estate and banking. The fourth book from Arcade will be an illustrated, coffee table book, titled *Courage: The Early Aviators (1915-1940)*. ■ Dex '50 and **Norma Horsford Whittinghill** played a lot of golf last summer with **Ed** and **Jean Maintain Higgins** and Sally and Bob Whittier '49. They found Dave '50 and **Mary Krum Dale** at the Warren, VT, July Fourth parade. For the winter season, Norma was into promoting good health, church volunteer work, bowling, and bridge. Dex switched from golf to tennis on November 15. ■ **Thomas Leavitt** recently became the interim director of the Newport (RI) Art Museum. He spent 23 years at Cornell Univ. in Ithaca, NY, as an art history professor and as director of the university's art museums. He also served as director of the Pasadena Art Museum (1957-63) and the Santa Barbara Museum of Art (1963-68). His most recent post was interim director of the Museum of Art at the RI School of Design in Providence. ■ **Jane Walker Nutting**, of Biddeford Pool, ME, has been named to the board of trustees at Thornton Academy in ME. She is also active with the American Red Cross, the Congregational Church, and the Biddeford Pool Community Club. ■ **David J. Maysilles**, of Walpole, NH, recently received the annual Dr. Florence R. Sabin Distinguished Alumni Award from Vermont Academy, from which he graduated in 1947. David received a commission in the Marine Corps Reserve at Middlebury and served in Okinawa and Vietnam as a colonel. Retiring from the service in 1976, he became executive director of the Kurn Hattin School in Westminster for 17 years. In 1985, he was elected council commissioner of the Green Mountain Boy Scout Council and, in 1986, president of the state Boy Scout Council. ■ We regret to report the death of **J. Donald Mochi** on December 21, 1994, and send the condolences of the class to **Jane Yates Mochi** and all of the family.

1952

Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Peter K. Race (Ruth Eldridge), P.O. Box 103, Boxford, MA 01921; and William H. Barber, 19504 Gallatin Ct., Montgomery Village, MD 20879.*

Inspired by Prof. Alan Carter, **Nancy Cawley Jerome** went on to become a professional flutist/piccoloist. She joined the VT Symphony Orchestra in 1948 and went on to perform with the Opera Co. of Boston, Boston Ballet, Boston Philharmonia, Boston Pops, and Boston Symphony Orchestra. She has also done freelance work and taught flute at Midd for five years, after she and husband Richard retired to VT in 1980. The Jeromes have a son, two daughters, and three granddaughters. ■ **Suzanne Clark Jacobsen** reports "a quiet year as my husband, Bjorn Jacobsen, has been hospitalized since October 1993. FL continues to be warm and sunny, and I'm lucky to be near Sanibel to pursue my hobby of bird-watching." ■ Hope and **Bob Morgan** are "still enjoying retirement—golf, fly-fishing, and travel in our fifth wheel. Enjoyed the beautiful scenery on a cruise up the Inland Passage to AK last summer. We usually 'snowbird' it to Tucson over the winter." They met Mary and **Doug Webb** at a CO Rockies spring training game and enjoyed having dinner together. ■ More honors are being heaped upon **Chuck Lauer**. In November, he was named "Statesman in Health Care Administration" by the American Academy of Medical Administrators. He also received presidential recognition from the American Institute of Architects. In October he was honored with OH State University's Distinguished Service Award for Leadership and Service. Chuck's recent book, *Soar with the Eagles*, is an anthology of his publisher's letter, a weekly feature of *Modern Healthcare* magazine. ■ John and **Carol Holmes Phillips** recently visited family in WI and CA, and joined an AMC Camp group for hiking in the Sawtooth Mountains of Idaho. They also enjoyed a reunion with Pat and **Carol Whitham Brewster** in ME. The Brewsters reported a get-together with **Marion Olds Precht, Polly Norton Polstein**, and **Judy Hudders Lovegren**. Carol and Pat made an April '94 trip to Greece, visited friends in HI in November, and celebrated Thanksgiving with family in CA. ■ **Priscilla Norman Forschler** had a fall visit from Bob and **Nancy (Ann) Warren Moore**. Priscilla reports that the Moores are fine, living on an island near Seattle. Priscilla enjoys going to NYC occasionally, especially for the theatre. ■ **Don** and **Priscilla Kay Beck** have made short trips "here and there," including Hyde Park and the Vanderbilt estate, as well as an annual fall family gathering in Bar Harbor, ME, enjoying Don's first year of retirement. ■ In 1994, Jim and **Jane Rupp Cooke** skied in the Sise Cup New England Masters' Series and then traveled to UT and MT for the Internationals and Nationals. In March 1995, they participated for eight days in the Nationals at Alyeska in AK, where Jane earned some awards. After "two days to do the laundry," they flew to the Virgin Islands for eight days of sailing with their skiing friends. Back in Marblehead, Jane works with the Red Cross, serves as a director of the Marblehead Summer Music Festival, and on committees for the yacht club, along with her sailing. ■ Pete and I (**Ruth Eldridge Race**) took a breather from community and church activities for a February week in Barbados, and, in March, a two-week Elderhostel trip to Costa Rica, where we enjoyed a mango plantation, an active volcano, and rain forests. ■ Our class has received a letter of thanks from our 1994-95 Class of '52 Scholarship recipient, Amy Curato, a sophomore from Manchester, CT. Amy is considering a joint major in environmental studies and political science, is involved in volunteer services, and works as a receptionist in academic computing. As of June 1994, our class scholarship fund had attained a book value of $124,163.05 and a market value of $342,984.66. We can be pleased with our continuing efforts in support of the fund and the knowledge that we're really making a difference in some students' lives.

1953

Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. David Clemens (Carol Jennings), P.O. Box 962, Hallstead, PA 18822 (e-mail: CClemens@epix.net).*

The Rev. **Rae Henry Kurt** spends eight months of the year in St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands, snorkeling, sailing/cruising to nearby islands, swimming 32 laps three times a week, and volunteer-teaching English as a second language. Rae reports, "It's lovely here in paradise." ■ **Frank Sullivan** and wife Fran enjoyed a trip to Ireland and wrote a travel guide, their second, called *The Irish Bed and Breakfast Book* (Pelican Press). Their own B&B, The Wild Rose of York, in York, ME, is for sale, as they're getting too shaky on the ladder to maintain a three-story colonial. Daughter Julie is a designer for a German wallpaper company in MD. Daughter Ellen is an artist raising two children in Amesbury, MA. Frank is still consulting in science education for the MA Dept. of Education. ■ **John Clark**, retired, still clerks in a hardware store and wife Marian runs an antiques store. John, who is membership chairman of the Appalachian Mountain Club, is climbing all the 4,000-foot peaks in New England. To date he has completed 44 of the 65 climbs. They have four grandchildren. ■ **Peter Marshall** is still involved with Nypro, an injection molding plastics business with headquarters in Clinton, MA, and manufacturing plants worldwide. He and Cecily Mattocks Marshall '54 have seven grandchildren, including four born in the four months preceding November '94. ■ **Richard Worthington** is enjoying retirement in ME. He volunteers at the local hospital, is active in the Lakes Environmental Association, plays tennis, and goes cross-country skiing. ■ After 34 years, **Gardner "Buzz" Tilton** has retired from Chubb Life Insurance Co. An avid golfer, he has played in the last two Gordie Perine Golf Tournaments and in Venice, FL, where he rents a condo. The youngest of his three sons is married with two daughters. ■ **Ann McGinley Ross** is no longer employed but finds herself busier than ever "daughtering, mothering some, and grandmothering a lot." She feels lucky to have so much family nearby. Arts in Education is one of her causes; occasional travel a favorite diversion. ■ **Dave Parker** retired from Boise

Class Act

Double Jeopardy: Thumbs Up for Cohen

Mitchell Cohen '82 has found that his uncanny ability to remember totally useless information has finally paid off big time. Cohen is over $16,000 richer, the recipient of shiny new cookware and other prizes, and the envy of a cult of Alex Tribek groupies, not to mention the new respect he's getting in Hollywood, where he's been a struggling film producer for years. How has Mitchell Cohen's life changed so dramatically and so much for the better? Through television of course! Cohen is a two-time "Jeopardy" winner, and that suddenly makes him a hot property in Hollywood.

"It's weird, but you get a lot of mileage out of that show. People in Hollywood take it very seriously. They're more impressed with my winning twice at 'Jeopardy' than my going to Middlebury. It's really sick."

While Cohen minimizes the achievement ("It's from a lifetime of collecting useless information in your head"), it does take some major smarts. "The way I prepared was looking at maps," Cohen explains. "I would sit with an atlas and every time I would turn the page, I would catalog in my mind everything I knew about that country."

But more than an encyclopedic memory, winners need a fast finger. "You think it's easy when you're at home," Cohen says, "but the reason why you win or lose is about timing. It's all in your thumb." Also having some good luck doesn't hurt.

On his first day, Cohen correctly answered questions his opponent kept getting wrong. "There was a category about perfume. I didn't want to touch it, but finally it was the only thing left. I ended up practically running the category. I don't know anything about perfume, but all these years of flipping through ads . . ."

On his return trip to the show, his luck didn't hold. It was a month later (Christmas hiatus intervened) and his part of California was under water in a freak flood. "I literally had to ford rivers to get to the studio. I stood there with squishy wet shoes. My concentration was blown from the beginning."

And he lost on a question he knew COLD. It was HIS category—theatre. "I even *studied* it at Middlebury!" The question was: "The ashes of this late television producer were flown into space on the *Discovery.*" Give up?

"It was Gene Roddenberry! I *knew* the answer. I knew this guy's ashes had gone into space. I'm a 'Star Trek' fan! Everything in the world suggested that I know this answer, but I drew a complete blank."

Cohen's not complaining, though. "I blew the final 'Jeopardy' question, which cost me $7,000, but it was fun anyway. I got to plug the movie that I made"—*Something from Nothing*, a movie based on folktales, structured like *The Canterbury Tales.* And he and his wife are taking that second prize trip to Florida. The only bad thing is that he can't seem to shake that annoying "Jeopardy" musical signature.

"You hear that damn music. You wake up at night in a sweat hearing that music!" ■

Cascade last August. Over the last 21 years, he visited over 50 countries and clocked over 500,000 miles on American Airlines, 1,400,000 on United Airlines, plus all too many miles on other airlines he never wants to hear of again. Now a forester, woodcutter, and gardener on his VT property—"Retirement is a full-time job!"—Dave is getting reacquainted with wife Carol. He saw **Don Peach** and wife in CO and reports that Don looks as well preserved as Dave feels he does. "Brookline, VT, is on the map (in small letters). If any of you are in the neighborhood, stop by." ■ **Neil Cross**, who has been responsible for apprenticeship and adult education for NH, planned to retire in June '95. His family is doing well, with Mike in FL, Andrea at St. Joseph's in ME, Jennifer in Pawlet, VT, and Kip Hopkinton in middle school (grade eight)—six feet and strong at basketball and soccer. ■ **Nancy Hamilton Shepherd**, rector at Trinity Chapel in Shirley, MA, enjoys her ministry in a "family style" church. She chairs the diocesan prison ministry committee, and for 11 years has conducted a prison Bible study and fellowship group. Husband Tom is working hard "with enjoyment," but plans to move soon to a slower pace. With 10 grandchildren in VT and MA, they often find themselves "on the road." ■ Following the last reunion, **Bill** and **Jan Schongar Wagner** were pleased to have Carol and **Ed Perrin** stop by for a quick visit. In late fall, the Wagners celebrated Bill's July retirement with a trip to England and France. ■ **Janet Nutt Lembke** has co-translated 4 of the 37 surviving tragedies of Sophocles, Euripides, and Aeschylus for the Oxford Univ. Press. Her fourth book of essays, *Skinny Dipping*, was published recently by Lyons & Burford. Janet lives in NC with her husband, Adrian Stanley. ■ We regret to report the death of **Gladys Tanner Myers**, and send the sympathy of the class to her family. Glady, as she was known to friends, followed her Middlebury degree in fine arts with a creative life as a student, teacher, and artist. Her art reflected her love of nature and the CO environment. She will be missed by family and friends. ■ **Bob Kelly** is still slaving away in his mail order business, Bridge Building Images. Son Andrew graduated from Babson last May and is working for Coopers Lybrand CPA firm in Boston. Bob was hoping that one more tuition payment would take son Scott, who is No. 1 on the tennis team,

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through to graduation at Springfield College this May. ■ **Dick** and Jo Eaton '54 **Wagner** are busy in retirement doing volunteer work for four different agencies, as well as some economic development work for Manchester and Augusta, ME. They recently completed a VIA rail round-trip across Canada to Vancouver, BC, stopping in Seattle to visit a new (their third) grandchild. ■ **Betsy Cushman Gumbart**'s second grandson arrived in December. With their four sons, there are now six Gumbarts to carry on the family name. Church, library work, tennis, and walking keep Betsy out of trouble these days. ■ **Connie Gibbs Oliver** judges for the Garden Club of America, the Daffodil Society, and the Federation of State Garden Clubs. She is also involved in church vestry, choir, and visiting nearby family. ■ In connection with an air quality project, **Bill Walter** travels frequently, fortunately often in the company of wife Sukey (Tallman) '59. Their children are either teaching, doing research, or pursuing advanced degrees. Son Bill '84 celebrated his 10th Midd reunion last May. ■ **Biffy Darling Sherburne** reports that in August '94 Don '51 won the Masters Championship of North America for lightning class sailboats. Biffy is commodore of Harbor Island Yacht Club near Nashville, TN, the first woman to hold that post. Daughter Lynne Sherburne-Benz received her Ph.D. from the Fletcher School at Tufts in May '94. Daughter Nancy is a technical writer; son Kevin sells custom marine electronics and manages a family business in FL. ■ The 1994-95 recipient of the Class of 1953 Scholarship is Jessica Goldberg, a sophomore from Carlton, WA. Jessica was on the Dean's List for both fall 1993 and spring 1994.

1954

Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Robert B. Nickerson (Nancy Whittemore) , Masons Island, 4 Osprey Lane, Mystic, CT 06355; and Mr. M. Richard Davenport, P.O. Box 365, High Falls, NY 12440.*

"Life begins at the 40th," comment **Chuck** and **Maureen Kane Steinecke**. "Certainly it was a highlight. Thanks to all who attended—we missed those who could not." The Steineckes spent three months in Winter Harbor, ME, before immersing themselves in their consulting practice, helping boards of directors of nonprofits. ■ Attorney **William Wollenberg**, of Farmington, CT, has served six terms as a state representative in the CT General Assembly for the 21st District. An October newsclip informs us he was assistant minority leader of the Republican caucus and has been selected on three occasions as one of the top 10 legislators by all 187 members of the General Assembly.

1955

Class Secretaries: *Scotty MacGregor Gillette, 192 Bank St. S.E., Minneapolis, MN 55414; Junie Stringer DeCoster, 252 Maiden Lane, St. Paul, MN 55102; and Judy Zecher Colton (Mrs. Roger), 3 Long Marsh Lane, St. Paul, MN 55127.*

It was nice to hear from **Mickey (Claire) Burgess Steiger**. She reports that her daughter is studying for her M.D./Ph.D. at the Univ. of MN. ■ **Jean MacDonald Wilkinson** reports a new address: 7413 N. Greenview, #3A, Chicago, IL 60625. ■ We were very sorry to hear from **David Corey** that his wife, Margaret, died on January 23, 1995. Margaret and Dave were dorm residents in Gifford in 1960 and 1961, when Dave was assistant director of admissions for men. We send the sympathy of the class to David and the family.

1956

REUNION CLASS

Class Secretaries: *John Chase, 2000 Sage Canyon Rd., St. Helena, CA 94574; Virginia Collins Emerson, 15 College Rd., Wellesley, MA 02181; and Maureen Craig Seamans, 12 Pelham Rd., Weston, MA 02193.*

Dr. **Harold Meeks** of the UVM geography department was a featured speaker at the 1994 Sheeposium in Randolph, VT, last November. He discussed the historical geography of the VT woolen industry. ■ In RI, **Charlotte Duryea Brophy** was running for a town council seat last fall. Charlotte has been the director of volunteer services at the Westerly Hospital for 23 years. She also belongs to the hospital auxiliary, the Westerly College Club, the Roger Williams Family Association, the Charlestown Historical Society, and the Church of the Holy Spirit. ■ Congratulations to Father **Ron Lawson**, who celebrated the 25th anniversary of his ordination at a buffet dinner on May 6, 1995, in East Montpelier, VT. ■ Newlyweds Catherine and **Mike Podell** have a new home (2200 Ralston Ave., Hillsborough, CA 94010) and a new phone number (415/348-3637). ■ News from **John (Jack) McDermott**: "Last summer my wife suggested we should do something for my 60th birthday that I'd always wanted to do but never got around to doing. So we did. We went whitewater rafting on the Colorado River through the Grand Canyon. It was a truly unforgettable experience. But three months ago (January 27, 1995), my wife gave me an even more wonderful 'present,' our new daughter, MeiLu. I can't begin to describe how much fun it is being a parent again. I recommend it to all my former classmates!" ■ We send the sincere sympathy of the class to the family of **Anne Burdick Herringshaw**, who died last December. A memorial appears elsewhere in this issue.

1957

Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Alexandrine Post Koontz, 204 Tatoket Rd., Branford, CT 06405; and Mrs. Elizabeth O'Donnell Wallace, 201 Asbury St., South Hamilton, MA 01982.*

Bob Telfer and family visited **Bo Wakefield** in Australia last winter. While surfing and snorkeling in January, they claimed to be thinking of us back in the ice and snow. Bob recommends Bo as a great tour guide and host.

1958

Class Secretaries: *Stephanie Eaton, 112 Pleasant St., Littleton, NH 03561; Joseph E. Mohbat, 551 Pacific St., Brooklyn, NY 11217; and Ann Parnie Ormsbee, 1699 Candelero Ct., Walnut Creek, CA 04598.*

On February 3, 1995, Dr. **James L. Sweatt III** became the first African-American to head the Dallas County Medical Society, a professional organization of more than 5,000 Dallas physicians. A thoracic surgeon, he was commended for steering "a steady course through the clinical clerkships (a not entirely easy feat in this city in which a degree of racial segregation remains strongly entrenched.)" He spends time in the Dallas schools, encouraging more students to become doctors, and he presents "Medical Moments" on radio station KKDA as a public service. His wife, Mary Lois, operates her own dance studio. Their four children are grown and launched in successful careers. ■ **William W. Locke** has been named the Sara Lodge Distinguished Visiting Professor of Business at Elizabethtown College in PA. During the spring semester he taught courses in international marketing and cross-cultural understanding. Bill retired last July as group VP of worldwide industry products and Pacific operations at Armstrong World Industries. He and Noel Caseley Lock '59 live in Cataumet, MA, and their daughter, Jennifer, is a junior at Middlebury. ■ **Mary Stein Dominick** teaches her own form of dance exercise, which has grown out of her years of modern dance experience. For 17 years she has been conducting women's health programs every fall at Aspen. Women come from all over the country for each weekly session of hiking, exercise classes, yoga, pampering, and cultural events. ■ **Ann Alvord Groves** continues to teach math in Burlington, VT. She and Ray seize frequent opportunities to bird-watch, from the white peahen (mate to pea-cock) at their feeder to Sanibel Island's specialties. ■ **Steffi Eaton** sits on the granite step at her back door, listening to the drumming of a pileated woodpecker and soaking in the bronze rays of the descending sun. All in a day's work!

1959

Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Anthony Balabon (Kay Shook), 615 Wallace Drive, Wayne, PA 19087; and Dr. Byron H. Koh, 136 Lincoln Ave., Amherst, MA 01002.*

Harriette Moseley Purdy, who has been teaching elementary school for 28 years on Long Island, is a second grade teacher at the Brookhaven Elementary School. "Since New York State is in a budgetary crisis, the schools suffer from cutbacks on state aid thus affecting the entire educational system adversely. Husband Ken is still in private dental practice after 34 years." ■ **Arnold C. Bailey** has been appointed VP for institutional advancement at the MA College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences. His former positions include 11 years

as a fund-raising and communications consultant to nonprofit organizations and six years as managing editor of the *Pawtucket Evening Times* in RI. He still writes a weekly sports column for the *Providence Journal-Bulletin* and is a contributing writer for several national publications. Arnold and wife Beatrice live in North Smithfield. ■ **E. Douglas Schwantes** informs us that the home/office of his business, Consulting Geotechnical Engineer and Associates, moved in April to 19402 Woodlands Dr., Huntington Beach, CA 92648-5570. ■ **Dottie Dever Frost** (370 Pittsford-Mendon Rd., Pittsford, NY 14534) stopped by to see **Kay Shook Balabon** while in the Philadelphia area for her daughter's wedding. Dottie looks great and continues to put in long hours as a computer specialist. Her three daughters are married and her son is attending SUNY Rochester. ■ **Noel Caseley Locke** spent March in England with daughter Jennifer '96, who was spending a semester there. Last semester Jennifer was at the Woods Hole Institute. ■ **Phyllis Leach Morris** has embarked on a new business venture that can help ease the tension of everyday life. From planning a move to delivering the perfect gift, Lewis/Morris Associates, Ltd., can help! For more info or a brochure, call 212-877-6863. ■ We would like to extend our condolences to the family of **Helen Fitzgerald Cserr**, who died August 11, 1994. A memorial appeared in the spring issue of this magazine.

1960

Class Secretary: *Jean Seeler, P.O. Box 408, Armonk, NY 10504.*

Pieter Schiller was the proud father of the bride last August when daughter Katie '89 married Jon Ward in Chatham, MA: "Great Wedding, Great Day, Great Crowd!" ■ **Patricia Knox Welles** is a USPTA tennis professional/instructor and has been a nationally ranked senior tennis player several times—ranked No. 1 as of January 1995. She's a teaching pro in the women's 55 singles. ■ At a recent public forum series, **Jane Bryant Quinn** predicted a continuing slow growth in the country's economy. She guesses that we may someday compare the 1990s to the 1950s, with flat growth, falling defense spending, and tremendous investment in business (laying the foundation for growth). She admonishes investors to keep it simple, to forget limited partnerships and unit trusts: "The good news is, you don't need them." She likes well-diversified, stock-owning mutual funds. ■ To celebrate the 20th anniversary of her travel business, **Penny Pitou Pike** took all her employees on a hiking trip in Austria last fall. Hiking has been a passion of Penny's since she climbed the Matterhorn at age 19. "Pitou" is a household name in Europe, where she won nearly every skiing event she entered preceding the 1960 Olympics, when, of course, she was a double silver medalist at Squaw Valley. After running the Penny Pitou Ski School, she took over a travel office in 1974. She began marketing hiking and walking trips in Europe in the early 1980s. The Penny Pitou Travel Agency has offices in Concord and Laconia, NH. ■ June and **Ralph Cobb** enjoyed returning last fall to "Middlebury's best-kept entertainment secret—Alumni College at Bread Loaf. If you can spare the Labor Day weekend, this has got to be the short vacation value of the century." June continues to tutor math to kids in Darien, CT. Daughter Christie is working in a French bank in NYC; son Seth '93 is living and working in Boulder, CO, "which now supports a sizable, semi-transient, Midd subcommunity." The Cobbs "hugely enjoyed" Seth's graduation week and, after getting to know Seth's friends, advise us to "disregard all the whining; the College is a much better place today." Ralph admits that for several years he has been "battling an advanced case of retirement denial."

1961

REUNION CLASS

Class Secretaries: *Steve Crampton, RR 1, Box 127 Tarbox Rd., Jericho, VT 05465; and Lee Kaufman, 161 Three Mile Dr., Kalispell, MT 59901.*

Last November, **William F. Wallace** became president and chief operating officer of Plains Petroleum Operating Co. in Lakewood, CO. He has been associated with the oil and gas industry for 30 years, most recently as regional VP, exploration and production, of Texaco Exploration and Production, Inc., in New Orleans, LA. ■ **Nick Dabney** ran into **Doug Thayer** and wife Jean on the Cape recently. After years of owning and chartering a sloop in the Virgin Islands, Doug is now the captain of a large private yacht with owners who summer in Falmouth and winter in Palm Beach, FL. ■ On behalf of all members of our class, Lee and I extend our sympathies to **Tor Hultgreen** and his family on the tragic loss of his daughter, Kara. She was an extraordinary individual who brought great pride and honor to her family. Tor's address is 2795 Fox Run, Appleton, WI 54914. ■ Mother Wood brought her flock of enthusiastic skiers to Sun Valley, ID, in February. The group continues to grow, particularly with the attendance of more and more offspring. We will alert everyone about the time and location of the 1996 ski trip as soon as the ballots are counted and the executive committee reaches its decision.

1962

Class Secretaries: *Leslie Dearborn Cronin, 16320 Batchellors Forest Rd., Olney, MD 20832; and James D. Shattuck, 59 Wesskum Wood Rd., Riverside, CT 06878.*

1963

Class Secretaries: *Catherine Deutsch Sands, 5004 Ft. Sumner Dr., Bethesda, MD 20816; and Christopher J. White, 15 W. Cavalier Rd., Scottsville, NY 14546.*

Carolyn Smith Kehler (D-Woodstock) won reelection to the VT legislature last fall. Carolyn is a real estate broker in Woodstock. ■ Election day held no suspense for incumbent **William Delahunt** (D-Quincy, MA) as he ran unopposed for a sixth four-year term. Bill's daughter, Kara, was a sophomore at Midd this year. ■ You can find **Charles MacCormack** whenever you open a catalog from Save the Children. As president and CEO, his message and photo appear in the catalog on about page two. ■ **Elizabeth Knowles** and Robert W. Ladd, Jr., were married on September 5, 1993. Joining them for the wedding festivities in South Dartmouth, MA, was **Meg Holmes Robbins**. The Ladds are at home in Fort Collins, CO. ■ **Carol Clements Standish** is working on her master's degree in American studies at the Univ. of Southern ME. Her thesis is on the origins of the Ogunquit Art Colony. Carol serves on the board of directors of the Kennebunkport Historical Society, and she's a member of the Model Schooner Race Committee, an outgrowth of her business as owner of Standish Marine Books and Prints. A recent piece in the Kennebunk paper traced the family history of her husband, John, a 10th-generation descendant of Miles Standish. ■ **John Connors** recently completed consulting assignments in Moscow and St. Petersburg, Russia, on "Modern Methods in Small Business Lending" and "Financial Statement Analysis." He writes: "The trips were demanding and enlightening. They were demanding because we were often asked to change the original subjects to something else. They were enlightening because our hosts provided tickets to performances of the Moscow Conservatory and Kirov Ballet." The Fund for Democracy and Development, which funded the program, turned out to be managed by Cynthia Stone (M.A. Russian '75). John concludes, "The experiences were great and I am hoping for future assignments to Russia or other emerging countries." ■ Out in Park City, UT, our director of the Winter Sports Park, **John Bower**, was profiled in a recent issue of *Lodestar*. "A two-time Olympian in nordic combined (the sport that combines ski jumping with cross-country ski racing), Bower now has the opportunity to help move the sport to new levels through this state-of-the-art complex" where he has started training programs for future Olympians. Seems John has a personal goal: "to add more Olympic medals to America's lone 1924 bronze in ski jumping."

1964

Class Secretaries: *Barbara Bailey Hollister, 1347 Stony Brook La., Mountainside, NJ 07092; and Robert J. Baskin, 805 A St. SE, Washington, DC 20003.*

Karen Paullin Will is in business to show towns that they can preserve their history and culture and still provide for economic growth. Karen and her business partner in Hartford's Preservation Planning Associates have set out to prove that, by preserving history, towns can actually trigger economic growth—in the form of tourism. Their plan for Killingly, CT, earned two awards. ■ **John Wallach**, organizer of Seeds of Peace to bring young Israelis and

Arabs together, has been named the executive director of the Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity. The foundation organizes international forums on issues of ethics and understanding, including youth centers for young Ethiopian Jews in Israel. John is leaving his job as foreign editor for the Hearst newspapers and moving from Washington to New York; he will also become senior fellow at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government at its Institute for Social and Economic Policy in the Middle East. ■ **Judith Cooper Parker**, of Wethersfield, CT, was a Republican candidate for town council last fall. Judy has been active in Scouting, Y-teens, environmental groups, and Junior League. Judy and husband Lewis have three sons, Lewis, James, and Seth. ■ Charlotte, NC, resident **Sandra Hazen Bodine** has been named trust officer of United Carolina Bank. Sandra and husband Charles have two children, Charles III and Nicole.

1965

Class Secretaries: *Polly Moore Walters (Mrs. Kenneth), 100 Grandview Ave., Fort Collins, CO 80521 (e-mail: walters@lamar.ColoState.EDU); and Frederick W. Stetson, 123 N. Union St., Burlington, VT 05401.*

Belated congratulations to Jeffrey and **Marsha Fletcher Dixon**, who were married in March 1993. They live in Keene, NH. ■ **H. Norton Webber, Jr.**, owner of You Know Whose Pub and Restaurant in Waterville, ME, was the Republican candidate for Senate district 14. ■ **Nancy C. Smith** continues as VP, investment department, of the Glenmede Trust Co. in Philadelphia. ■ In June, the Univ. of PA Press published *The International Commission of Jurists, Global Advocates for Human Rights*, the third book by **Howard Tolley**. Howard has been promoted to full professor in the political science department at the Univ. of Cincinnati. ■ **Betsy Nelson Master** writes from Leesburg, FL: "Since our five have now spread their wings into different parts of the country, we decided to build our 'empty nest' in a warm climate." ■ **Carolyn Curtiss Peelle** collaborated with Atron A. Gentry on a new book, *Learning to Survive: Black Youth Look for Education and Hope* (Greenwood Press, July 1994). Interweaving Gentry's autobiography with stories of contemporary street gang members, the book offers an approach for dealing with urban violence and the miseducation of minority youth.

1966

Reunion Class

Class Secretaries: *Carolyn D. Holmes, 38 Glenwood Rd., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043; and Thomas R. Easton, 10456 Burke Lake Rd., Fairfax Station, VA 22039.*

Peter Henry has announced that he will resign this year from the Forman School in Litchfield, CT. He has served the school in various capacities for 15 years, as headmaster since 1989. Peter has also been appointed to a one-year term on the Visiting Nurse and Home Care Northwest's board of directors. ■ The board of directors of Keystone Group, Inc., has appointed **Albert H. Elfner III** as chairman and CEO of the investment management services company. Chip joined Keystone in 1969 and has served as president and chief operations officer since 1990.

1967

Class Secretaries: *Susan D. Patterson, 67 Robinson Pkwy., Burlington, VT 05401; and David E. Robinson, 31 Summer St., Nashua, NH 03060.*

We have an updated address for **Frederick W. Myers** down under: (187 Mondurup St., Mount Barker WA 6324, Australia; fredwm@perth.dialix.oz.au). Fred reports, "We have learned a bit about sheep farming and met quite a few new friends over the two years or so that we have been 'down under.' I am still in the business of sitting in front of a computer terminal most of the time." Fred and Madeleine "now have facilities adequate to entertain guests, should they decide to visit the other end of the world." Fred visited with **Bill Powers** when he was in Melbourne last year. ■ Dr. **John Rogers** moved into a new building, celebrating 10 years of medical practice in Charlottesville, VA. **Missy Brine Rogers** received her M.A. in art history from VA Commonwealth Univ. and is now in the doctoral program. Their sons are both college juniors, Noah at Guilford College and Josh at the Univ. of VA. ■ Belated congratulations are in order for Juergen and **Lenore Kafka Schumann**, who were married on May 9, 1992. ■ **Susan Freier Geisenheimer** has joined the EMI Records Group (1290 Ave. of the Americas, 35th floor, NY, NY 10104). She and husband Emile moved to 145 E. 81st St., #11D, NY, NY 10028 (212/249-2956). ■ Seen at Homecoming '94: **Craig Erlich, Nancy Jope Delaney, John Liccardi, Sheldon Baker, Steve Nelson, Dwight Dunning, Gary Margolis, Gil Sidoti, Jeff Van Zandt, Jon Berger, Carol Conklin Wheelock,** and **Tom** and **Susan Davis Patterson**. A new and meaningful addition to Homecoming was a Saturday morning convocation, at which four Middlebury presidents spoke—Stephen Freeman, James Armstrong, Olin Robison, and John McCardell. Alumni members of the D-8 sang, including our own **John Liccardi** and **Sheldon Baker**, and the entire experience elicited that tightening of the chest feeling that seems to grow in proportion to the number of years we've been out of Midd. ■ **Dana Brigham** sent in an interesting article about Ivo Meisner '66, who was in our class for a while. Ivo and wife Cynthia (Macmackin) '66 are proprietors of Book Den East, a used and antiquarian bookstore on Martha's Vineyard. President Clinton visited their store while vacationing on the island—and so should you! ■ **Laila Fangel Kain** recently hosted a mini-reunion with **Craig Ehrich, Margot Childs Cheel, Judy Van Nostrand Sturgis**, and **Grace Hawkins** in CT. ■ **Margot Childs Cheel** attended **Jon Perkins**'s workshop in the Boston area in March and loved it. ■ **Dee Martin Montgomery** lunched with **Rich** and **Joan Viedorfer Roller**. ■ **Nancy Boardman Sparkman** ran into **Peter Stuart** in Arlington, VT. ■ The Snow Bunny Ski '67 Reunion was held in early March in rare good snow for this year at the Snow Bowl. **Bill** and **Sue Schweickert Macy, Peter** and **Lynn Fox Stuart, Tom** and **Susan Davis Patterson**, Barb and **Jim Adams, Connie Reynolds Davis, Dort Cameron**, and **Dwight Dunning** skied, ate, talked, and joked together on Saturday. **Freddie Mahlmann** and Leo Cohen joined us for après ski at the Macys' in Lincoln. Anne and **Ford Cole** showed up a week early. ■ **Bill Kleh**, who is living in London with his family, makes many business trips to Ireland. Tom and I plan to meet him on a trip this summer and raise a few pints to Midd. ■ Happy 50th birthday to us all! Many of us are finding appropriate ways to celebrate to fit our personalities. Some of the best I've heard about are climbing Mt. Kilimanjaro to stand at the top at the hour of one's birth (Dana, of course), hiking with friends and birthday cake in tow (**Livvy Barbour Tarleton**, with **Helen Martin Whyte** and **Susan David Patterson** in the throng of friends), and a reunion birthday party with high school classmates (Helen). Let your secretaries know how you celebrate. We're in our prime and just peaking!

1968

Class Secretaries: *Tobi Gray Watson, Box 113, 1562 First Ave., New York, NY 10028; and David Weinstein, P.O. Box 414, St. Johnsbury, VT 05819.*

Larry Raffel reports that he "recently went on my first sailing trip to BVI in the Caribbean. My daughter Mantie will be at McGill next year, and I hope to teach bilingual homeopathy with John Plant as translator in Montreal. Now teaching 'The road to wellness with vitamins and food supplements,' a two-hour traveling talk. If you have any leads in the Northeast (colleges, holistic health centers, hospitals, corporate wellness programs, etc.), please contact me. Looking forward to 30th Reunion and finding out who stole the rifle from ROTC."

1969

Class Secretaries: *Juliane Wallace, 142 Central Ave., Montclair, NJ 07042; and William H. Hearne, 324 Ayrault Rd., Fairport, NY 14450.*

Neil Scheinin and Sandra Cherrey were married on September 25, 1994. After a terrific 10-day honeymoon on Martha's Vineyard, they "reluctantly returned to our home and jobs in Philadelphia." Neil is a caseworker with the PA Department of Welfare; Sandy is an editor with a medical book publishing company. ■ Scheduled for publication last fall were the 11th and 12th books of **Koichi Ishiyama**: "two dictionaries (Japanese-English) to be published by the *Japan Times* and Shogakukan Lo (a very fa-

mous publisher in Japan)." Koichi is an associate prof. of English at Komazawa Women's Junior College in Tokyo. ■ We regret to report the death of Remy Hall (Bard '64), life partner of **Ronald Najman**, on December 26, 1994. He died peacefully at home after his battle with AIDS. Ron thanks classmates for the warm greetings they received at our 25th Reunion: "We were very gratified by your expressions of friendship."

1970

Class Secretaries: *Sue Thompson, P.O. Box 326, Mystic, CT 06355; and Andy Wentink, P.O. Box 356, Hohokus, NJ 07423.*

Katherine Shikes Fredman, of South Bend, IN, is "doing site specific sculptures outdoors using natural materials." She recently exhibited pieces in NYC and CO. ■ **Kelley Hunter** (RR 3, Box 928, Montpelier, VT 05602; 802/223-1647) is teaching in the adult degree program at Norwich Univ., VT College campus. He is also "an astrological consultant, lecturer, workshop leader, and writer, appearing at national conferences and in magazines." Kelley was a co-founder of Roots of Astrology, an experiential summer conference in VT. This August he is teaching in an astrological training program in Europe. He's using his Midd drama degree by "doing theatre work in conjunction with astrology and mythology. I have been developing 'Goddess monologues,' and recently gave a performance of *Lilith, the Dark Goddess* at the UN as part of a special program in cultural therapeutics, using creativity of personal transformation leading toward world peace." ■ **Tom Pierson** reports "a fairly eventful year—new house, new car, a wonderful new wife, Molly Davis (after having been divorced for five years), and two great new stepdaughters. That brings the kids-at-home count to four. Life is full and very satisfying. I'm enjoying it all immensely." Tom is still working for the U.S. Geological Survey in volcano hazards assessment in the U.S. and abroad. ■ Those famous cows showed up on display at the Southern VT Art Center in Manchester and at the Emotional Outlet Gallery in the Stowe Center Shops during the winter. **Woody Jackson**'s cows have become the unofficial emblem of the state.

1971

Reunion Class

Class Secretaries: *Dr. Susan R. Thornton, 22 Vincent St., Binghamton, NY 13905; and Sandy McDowell, 1 Weed Rd., Shelburne, VT 05482.*

Alice Korach is the editor of *Bead & Button*, a bimonthly magazine covering a wide variety of crafty techniques, from needleweaving beads to finishing with French wire to Japanese metal-working in polymer clay. For a subscription, call 303/678-7259. Alice lives in Westport, CT, with husband Lance DeCamp. ■ **Peggy Backup** enjoys living and farming in southeastern MN. ■ **Chris Rudkin** has been with the city of Boulder, CO, for 10 years: "Still driving around studying creeks." As the coordinator of testing and research in Boulder, he still finds it hard to believe in his good luck: "Through a bizarre twist of fate, my Middlebury education actually prepared me for a career! Thanks, Midd." ■ **Gail Stevenson** (17 High St., Middlebury, VT 05753) and daughter Marina recently returned from several years in Belarus and Russia. Gail was on a Fulbright grant to teach economics at Belarus State Univ. in Minsk in 1992—"Minsk is a great place, much nicer than its reputation"—then in Moscow for two years as resident director of the American Collegiate Consortium. She and Marina (2 1/2) are now back in Middlebury, where Gail works for the ACC as deputy director. ■ **Peik Larsen** was one of two printmakers featured in a December '94/January '95 show at the Carpenter Center, the visual arts building at Harvard. Peik also made all the plates for a book on the environment, which was exhibited at the Widener Library at Harvard. Peik is on the faculty as a printmaker in Harvard's V.E.S. department. ■ **Julia Alvarez** is in the news, especially since the success of her latest book, *In the Time of the Butterflies*. The January 3, 1995, issue of *People* magazine, carried a piece on Julia's "gorgeous and sensitive novel," along with a photo of Julia and her cat, Lucia.

1972

Class Secretaries: *Jennifer Hamlin Church, 11151 Summerfield Rd., Petersburg, MI 49270; and Judy Wingham, 417 Guildwood Pkwy., West Hill, Ontario M1E 1R3, Canada.*

George P. Seivwright got together with **Chris Downs** and **Mason Browne** in spring 1994 to do the Boston Marathon. He ran a couple more marathons in Burlington and Montreal and "finally got under three hours." His first 50-mile trail run turned out to be "a good character builder," when he got lost and ran an extra 5 1/2 miles! ■ In ME, **Lucy McCarthy** is the part-time assistant coordinator for the Vinalhaven Land Trust, which she has served as volunteer, director, and treasurer. Her boat, the *Rose Plunkett*, makes runs back and forth to Green's Island, where Lucy homesteads with ornithologist husband John Drury and their children, Flora and Keith. Lucy moved to Belfast some time ago to open a boatshop. ■ Writing from his temporary home in Panama, **Daniel Suman** provides a few more details on his Fulbright Fellowship: In addition to teaching environmental law at the Univ. of Panama Law School, "I'm also researching traditional property systems and user group conflicts in mangrove forests." As you read this, Dan will be on his way home to the Univ. of Miami. ■ We are sorry to report the February 1994 death of **Gregory Sedgwick**. Greg came to Midd from Wellesley Hills, MA, and graduated with a major in geography-geology. We extend our sympathy to his family and friends. ■ I (**Jennifer Hamlin Church**) was pleased to see Dr. David Andrews, professor of anthropology, representing Middlebury at the OH Wesleyan Univ. presidential inauguration, which I coordinated last winter. Dr. Andrews surely would have remembered many of you more than he did me, since I never took any courses in anthropology, but we had a very nice visit just the same, and it was good to hear about other professors not seen in 23 years (yikes). ■ I enjoyed another Middlebury connection recently in our county library, when I happened upon *In the Time of the Butterflies*, the latest novel by Julia Alvarez '71, now a Middlebury English prof. The book is a fictionalized retelling of the true story of the Mirabal sisters and their struggles under the Trujillo dictatorship in the Dominican Republic, and it's terrific. I recommend it highly. ■ One last item about myself: I took up horseback riding again last spring and am proud to report that, a year later, I participated in my first horse show, competing in equitation classes both "on the flat" and "over fences," and took home a first, three seconds, and a third. Send news!

1973

Class Secretaries: *Robert L. Badger, 16 Grant St., Potsdam, NY 13676 (e-mail: badgerrl@potsdam.edu); and H. Kit Fuller, 4600 Cloud Court, Boulder, CO 80301.*

Susan and **Bruce Chapin** proudly report the birth of their first child, Guinevere Anne, on September 1, 1994. It took Bruce three months to report her birth, so "you can see she keeps us busy!" ■ During 1995, **Robert Hanbury** is serving as chairman of the Remodelors Council of the National Association of Home Builders, representing the remodeling interests of 180,000 member firms. "The position entails lots of travel to councils around the country and an emphasis on regulatory and legislative matters affecting remodelors. It will be a nice change and challenge for one year, then back to contracting full time." Bob lives in Glastonbury, CT. ■ **Catherine Rogers Henifin** (e-mail: carogers@gsvms2.cc.gasou.edu) is pleased (and relieved) to report that she successfully defended her dissertation on the poet H.D. in July 1994, and received a Ph.D. in English from the Univ. of GA in August 1994. Still teaching English at GA Southern Univ., she lives in Savannah with husband Arvo, six cats, and a dog. ■ By the time you read this, **Chris Robbins** and **Peter Hamlin** (e-mail hamlin@stolaf.edu) will have celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary. Chris is one of two full-time staff members at the Cannon River Watershed Partnership, a nonprofit environmental organization dedicated to improving the Cannon River and its drainage basin. Peter is in his third year of teaching composition and music theory at St. Olaf College (Northfield, MN). With his Eastman doctorate completed in spring '94, he reports that with no dissertation to write "it now feels as if each day has about six extra hours in it."

1974

Class Secretary: *Barry Schultz King, P.O. Box 77, Ripton, VT 05766.*

Congratulations to Peter and **Amy Wapner Moriarty**, who were married on September 3, 1994. They live in Huntington, NY. ■ In a recent newspaper article citing the war stories of substitute teachers in Cape Elizabeth, ME, **Diane Dellamano Brakeley** is appreciated for successfully subbing this past year in biology, chemistry, geometry, algebra, calculus, and Spanish. Back in the '80s, Diane found students so rude that she decided "substituting was not for me," but, now that she's a little older and has two teenagers of her own, she enjoys a part-time job that puts her at home when her kids get off the bus. "I tell them now that I have my own rules," she says. "And I think I have a thicker skin than I had seven years ago." ■ **John (Muddy) Waters** became the sixth headmaster of Pike School in Andover, MA. The 400 children attending the private elementary school include John and Liza's offspring, Willie (10), Jamie (8), and Jessica (4). Liza teaches math in the upper school. ■ Pam and **Tom Rich** are the proud first-time parents of Harry Louis, born February 27, 1995. Congratulations! ■ **James E. Close** is "keeping a lid on erupting desire to run for office on a platform of reforming NY state politics." In March he cross-country skied to the North Rim of Grand Canyon and back, with 60-plus-lb. pack. (Phew!) ■ After eight years in Australia, Candy and **Roger Bowman** and son Samuel (5) moved to the Washington, DC, area, where Roger is a seismologist developing an international data center for verification of a future Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty. "I've continued as a technical adviser in the UN's Conference on Disarmament in Geneva, but now sit on the opposite side of the room, having slipped down the alphabet from the Australian to the U.S. delegation. ■ **Barbara Gould**, along with husband Ahmed and son Omar (5), left Kuwait last year. She and Ahmed are continuing their education at Ball State Univ. in Muncie, IN. Barbara is completing a Ph.D. in linguistics, while Ahmed is finishing a second master's in secondary education and starting an Ed.D. in adult education. ■ **Timothy Rub**, director of the Hood Museum of Art at Dartmouth College, made a joint presentation with Midd Prof. John Hunisak there in January. ■ **Casey Dennis** was recently promoted to branch manager of the West Lebanon, NH, office of Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. Casey is a resident of Norwich, VT. ■ Susan and **Andrew Wasserstrom** "have enjoyed taking our three children—Leslie (11), Nell (9), and Ross (5)—camping in VT and NH over the last few summers, allowing us to visit Judy and **Karl Doerner** (and Ian) and **Brian Lewis** and wife Stephanie Schmitz. My little Midwesterners seem to have a natural love for the mountains and ocean of New England." Andrew has been awarded tenure at Northwestern Univ. Medical School, where he is an associate prof. of medicine and pharmacology.

1975

Class Secretaries: *Tim and Carol Blakely Counihan, 27 Percy Rd., Lexington, MA 02173.*

Andrew Reding has moved to "sunny and unspoiled Sanibel Island, off the S.W. coast of FL, where I'm enjoying the warmer climate, using a mountain bike to explore the surrounding counties, and working at three jobs. I continue to direct the North America Project of the World Policy Institute in New York, but am now also employed part time by the Department of Justice in Washington and Pacific News Service in San Francisco." ■ When **David Cherashore** (wearing Midd hat) brought son William (wearing Midd sweatshirt) to see the Middlebury women's basketball team play in a tournament in San Diego, he became an instant hit with the players! He then made arrangements for the team to have dinner while in San Diego. David is executive VP with Evans Hotels. ■ **Sarah B. Kotchian** has been with the Albuquerque Environmental Health Department since 1982, serving as its director since 1987. Last October she was elected to the executive board of the American Public Health Association, the largest organization of public health professionals in the world. Now she has received the Distinguished Service Award for contributions to the section on environment of the Association. ■ Attorney **Ann Fisher Bruzzi** was the Republican candidate for the Washington, CT, board of tax review. Ann has 15 years of experience as an attorney, serves as director of CT Legal Services, and is on the advisory board of the Bank of Boston. She lives with husband Aldo and their two sons. ■ **David Wolk** resigned his position as prinicipal of Rutland High School in June. ■ After 15 years with Quaker Oats, **Polly Hallett Kawalek** has been promoted to president of the snacks division—"that's $300-million worth of Quaker Rice Cookies and Chewy Granola Bars. Many thanks to all alums who buy them!" ■ Eric Stern '94 recently spent five weeks with **Rick Hodes** in Ethiopia. Rick's latest adventures include battling cholera in Zaire, where he's working as a physician. Rick can be reached c/o IRC-Goma, P.O. Box 62727, Nairobi, Kenya. Or you can fax Nairobi: 002542566722, or 002542569013. Local satellite phone: 00871-175-4476. ■ **Richard Goodwin** of Branford, CT, is a financial consultant in the New Haven office of Merrill Lynch. Before joining that firm in 1991, he was with Eastern Steel in Milford. ■ **Robert Braun** is teaching ESL and media literacy. ■ **Anne Marie Thompson Miller** reports that daughter Elizabeth has chosen to enroll at Harvey Mudd in CA this fall. "Maybe I can get the next one to good ol' Midd!" ■ Twenty years after Middlebury, **Chris Tower Zafren** and **Jebb Rossetter Kelly** finally got together again last July in Alaska for 10 days of "backpacking, kleppering, hiking, halibut fishing (but she caught a skate instead) and catching up on old times. Her visit coincided with the joyous return to AK of Chris's husband, Ken, from Bakersfield, CA, where he completed his three-year exile (residency) in emergency medicine." Other alums visiting the northland are invited to call Chris at 907/346-2333. Chris, who continues as a school psychologist for the Anchorage School District, asks, "**Ellie Davie**, where are you?"

1976

Reunion Class

Class Secretaries: *Marion Adler, 530 N. Linden, Oak Park, IL 60302; Thomas Hitch, 1180 Lyman Ave., Wayzata, MN 55391; and William Kuharich, 305 Ormond Blvd., Destrehan, LA 70047.*

Beryn Frank Harty did "a New England/coastal tour for a few weeks, starting in Portland, ME, where we stayed with **Beth Della Valle** and her family, then down along coast through ME, NH, MA, and RI." They also visited **Debbie Hutchinson Gove** in Falmouth, MA. Beryn invites classmates visiting the Miami Beach area to call them (305/866-2700). ■ Already a celebrated talent in the art world, **Robert Gober**'s tactile work with wax, newspaper, and other natural materials found its way into print with the book *Robert Gober* and into galleries. ■ Married on June 25, 1994, Dr. William J. and **Kathleen White Cooke** are living in Boston. ■ Wendy and **Peter Gay** have a daughter, Nora Elizabeth, born September 23, 1993. She was welcomed home by brother Samuel Laurence. ■ Michael and **Erin McKiernan Halleran** announced the birth of Andrew David on August 3, 1994. Andrew is the brother of Rebecca and Thomas. ■ **Steve Bouchard** is still working in marketing for Continental Cablevision. A transfer moved Steve, Kyle Anne (Prescott) '77, Sean (12), Dana (10), and dog Webster to the Chicago suburbs last December. ■ **Jane Limprecht** and husband Brad Waller announced the birth of their son, Allen, in September 1994. Allen joins older sister Lilly. Jane is an editor for the Bureau of National Affair's *Bankruptcy Law Reporter*. Brad is acting in a number of theatre productions in the Washington, DC, area, as well as teaching and choreographing sword fighting. ■ Last year was an exciting one for **David** and Deborah Ivins (French '78) **Taylor**. "We brought our adopted daughter, Elena, home with us from Ecuador. She is now three years old and getting along famously with older brother Joshua

Two '75 friends, Chris Tower Zafren and Jebb Rossetter Kelly, got together last July in Alaska for 10 days of backpacking, fishing, and catching up on old times.

(five in May). Last May I (David) got promoted to divisional VP at my company, Penn National Insurance. I also earned my Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter designation." Dave and Deb celebrated this achievement in HI last October. ■ **Darcy Cahill** reports that she is recently divorced and has relocated to Baltimore. Darcy is working part time for a college preparatory school for the arts, the Baltimore Actor's Theater Conservatory, following a decade at home raising her two daughters, Mary and Sara.

1977

Class Secretaries: *Virginia L. Jones, 250 County St., Taunton, MA 02780; and William R. Thickstun, 76 Utica St., Clinton, NY 13323.*

Former Democratic convention manager **Mario Cooper** recently became the first African-American to lead the AIDS Action Council. ■ **Alexandra N. Bernstein** reports a new French address: Ferme de Fresnel, F-5-60190 Francieres, France (phone 011-33-44-41-03-09). ■ **Billy Straus** survived last fall's anti-incumbent mood and was reelected by a healthy margin to his office as Democratic state representative for the 10th Bristol district in MA. In his spare time, he has been wrangling with **Jim Stoner** over issues first debated in Poli Sci 102. Jim recently entered the world of freelance writing as an adjunct to his teaching. His first article, on term limits, was published in *Policy Review* (Winter '95) and then reprinted in newspapers ranging from the *Washington Times* to the *New Bedford Standard Times*, where it caught Billy's attention. ■ **Kenneth M. Reeves** is "back in school, this time studying psychotherapy." ■ For news of **Kyle Anne Prescott Bouchard** and her family, please turn to the '76 column. ■ **Rodney Bicknell**, of Lake Helen, FL, was accepted into membership of the Professional Golfers Association of America as a class A-1 pro on July 1, 1994. He has also been promoted to director of golf at Sabal Point Country Club, in Longwood, FL. ■ Tom and **Connie Vial Green** became the parents of twins Peter Andrews and Samuel Booth on August 24, 1994—three months early! "Both are doing well," reports Connie, "thanks to the intensive care nursery at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center. Dorothy and **Jay Heinrichs** have helped by housing my parents on their visits." ■ Although **Jim Buxbaum** reported that "summer triathlons are on hold this season," due to the birth of daughter Samantha Kate, he was still "hoping to set a new personal record for diaper changing—90 seconds!" ■ **Carol Pope Wallace** was recently named president/CEO of the Cooper Instrument Corp., manufacturers of temperature, time, and humidity instruments. She had served as executive VP and chief operating officer since 1992. ■ **Linda Ruth Spitzfaden**, of Peterborough, MA, was running as a Natural Law Party candidate for the second congressional district seat. The Natural Law Party believes politicians should look for consensus and solutions instead of fighting over differences, according to her newspaper statement. ■ **Karen Amirault** is still inspiring people to get up and dance! Last fall, she visited the school at Enosburg Falls, VT, where every class choreographed its own dance for a gala public dance for the community.

1978

Class Secretaries: *Michael Abend, 34 Kirsi Cir., Westford, MA 01886; Kevin O'Leary, 4912 Denny Ave., North Hollywood, CA 91601; and Helen Cooke Pyne, 69 Stern La., Atherton, CA 94027.*

Congratulations to **Ginny Lee Hinrichs** and Larry McMichael, who were married on November 12, 1994. They live in Philadelphia. ■ Third son Benjamin was welcomed by Allen and **Jennifer Sullivan Weaver** on May 22, 1994, much to the delight of older brothers Nicholas and Teddy. When the Weavers voyaged east last August, they saw **Peggy Baldwin Briggs** and family, as well as **Anne Groton Jacobs**. ■ Asa '79 and **Marnie Brewster Phillips** have a son, Asa Phillips IV, born February 5, 1994. Marnie says she is thoroughly enjoying her sabbatical from work in the health care field and life in suburban Weston, MA. ■ **Blair Childs** is the new senior VP directing the Washington, DC, office for Specialized Association Services, a corporation providing management, benefit, and public affairs services to associations. ■ Our varsity hockey co-captain **Rob Connerty** was recently appointed sales manager of Canstar Sports, USA, Inc. He was formerly director of sales for Olin Skis in Stowe, VT, where he had worked for 16 years. Canstar manufactures and distributes ice skates, in-line skates, hockey sticks, and all kinds of sports equipment. ■ Dr. **Thomas Davis**, an oncologist/hematologist affiliated with Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, is now seeing patients twice a month at Northeastern VT Regional Hospital. This will enable patients to receive treatment that would not otherwise be available in the St. Johnsbury area. ■ **James Bronsdon** has been promoted to associate counsel at Berkshire Life in Pittsfield, MA., where he has worked since 1990. Jim lives in Waterbury, CT, with wife Anita and daughter Deirdre. ■ Our apologies to **David Foster** for misidentifying him as David Smith in the fall column. David assures us that he hasn't changed his name and that he and his wife of two years, Gita Hakerem Foster, are happily married and living in Newton, MA. ■ Writer/photographer **Edward Kanze** is "alive, well, happily married, and living in MS, surrounded by snakes, lizards, frogs, turtles, and friendly people. My third book, *Wild Life: The Remarkable Lives of Ordinary Animals*, will be published by Crown in September. After being out of touch for years, I've lately been enjoying a lively correspondence with **Dirk Leach**, who is still as cool a dude as ever." Ed works summers for the National Park Service and is "writing a 'fat' novel, while reading *War and Peace* for inspiration." He invites classmates visiting the Ocean Springs, MS, area to look him up. He recently spent a week with **Jim Alsina** in the Adirondacks.

1979

Class Secretaries: *Donna Brewer MacKenna, 125 School St., South Hamilton, MA 01982 (e-mail: dmack@aol.com); and Margaret A. Paine, P.O. Box 545, Durham, NH 03824 (e-mail: mapaine@christa.unh.edu).*

Peter Christianson, executive director of WICN-FM Worcester, reports that his station and WGBH-FM Boston are joining forces in a unique strategic alliance. The alliance strengthens WICN's competitiveness without sacrificing local autonomy or service. Now in its 25th year, WICN public radio is one of the largest concert producers in central New England, operating almost entirely through the efforts of community volunteers. ■ In Washington, DC, **John B. Goodman** has been appointed deputy assistant secretary of defense (industrial affairs). ■ Edward McAdams and **Susan Bender** haven't figured out yet whether son Eric (8 months) will turn out a singer or an actor. Susan loves her job as finance counsel at the World Bank: "It *is* possible, I find, to have fun as a lawyer. I'm singing professionally again, when I can find time, doing solo work in the DC area." ■ We were glad to hear from **Mark Gordon**: "Following the death of my friend and wife, Sally Gilmore Gordon '78, I have resigned from the position of treasurer of Sierra Club to concentrate on raising our two wonderful kids, Bea and Anne, and on the Merlin Ranch, where we have been attempting to write a new chapter in harmonious ecological agriculture." Mark thanks everyone who sent kind notes and thoughts, and we thank Mark for keeping in touch with us. ■ **Raye Lynn Mercer**'s Franklin (MA) School for Performing Arts recently celebrated its 10th anniversary. FSPA offers music, dance, and drama training to students from pre-school to adult. ■ Two one-act plays—*Alice in Love* and *Helen at Risk*—by Middlebury playwright **Dana Yeaton**, were recently performed at the Nat Horne Theatre in NYC. They will also be published this fall by Bakers Plays of Boston and Samuel French of New York. *Helen at Risk* recently won the prestigious Heideman Award from the Actors Theatre of Louisville. Dana is the co-creator of IMPACT and CHOICES, theatre-based substance abuse programs for teenagers. He has taught in schools for the disabled and the emotionally disturbed, in jails, at the VT Institute for Teaching the Arts, and the Governor's Institute on the Arts. ■ In Blue Hill, ME, **Libby Marsh Elliott** continues to divide her time between the office and their three children. Libby and husband Matthew are working together at Elliott & Elliott Architecture, designing projects that enhance the beauty of the area. ■ **Elizabeth Boucher Bohonnon** was the Republican candidate for a six-year term on the board of education in Essex, CT. A former trustee of the Ivoryton Playhouse Foundation and a member of the Junior League in New Haven, Elizabeth lives in Essex with husband David and their two children (3 and 5). ■ **Karen Silverang** married Keith Borgstrom on May 29, 1994. She writes, "I am practicing law in the Hanover, NH, area. I still live in Lyme with my two children, Ryan (10) and Alex (7). My husband is a production engineer for Dartmouth College.

■ **Peter Mandel** held book signing parties at several locations in April. People were looking for autographs in *Red Cat, White Cat* (a children's picture book recently named an American Bookseller "Pick of the Lists") and in two humorous paperbacks for adults: *The Official Dog I.Q. Test* and *The Official Cat I.Q. Test*. ■ **Janet Jones Shipp** and husband Nate had a busy August 1994. They moved to a new house (7 Geneva Rd., Norwalk, CT 06850) at mid-month and had a baby two weeks later. Nathaniel Wesley Elijah Shipp was born on August 30. Janet is now back at work at Glencoe Ltd., a commodities trading firm. ■ On April 5, 1995, Randy and **Anne Todd McFall** welcomed daughter Ashleigh Durand McFall. They live in Paoli, PA. ■ In Weston, MA, Asa Emory Phillips IV joined **Asa** and Marnie Brewster '78 **Phillips** on February 5, 1995. Marnie reports that young Asa looks just like his father. ■ **Pamela Abouzeid Lister** has been an articles editor at *Redbook* magazine for three years. She keeps expecting to hear from some Middlebury writers, but so far none. Pam and husband George have two children: Gig, who just finished kindergarten, and Mercy Ann, born March 18, 1994. We've been looking for articles with Pam's byline, but she says that since the children were born, she only has time to write one or two each year.

1980

Class Secretaries: *Robin Putnam Ahmann, 3614 Mission Beach Rd., WA 98271; and Rich Silton, 27 Witherell Dr., Sudbury, MA 01776.*

When *John Brown's Body* was presented at Old Deerfield (MA) last summer, the producer was **Linda Cushing McInerney**, who also played two roles in the historical drama. Linda studied at the National Shakespeare Conservatory and appeared off-Broadway before moving to Deerfield, where she now lives with husband David and their two children. ■ C.P.A. **Simon Gerlin** of Wellesley was recently promoted to manager in the business assurance/audit practice of the Boston office of Coopers & Lybrand. Before joining that firm in 1991, Simon was an account supervisor at Young and Rubicam. ■ **Rich Silton** recently spoke with former Midd music professor Jim Griesheimer. He is well and teaching at the Univ. of IA, is married with a son and a daughter. ■ Congratulations to

Class Act

Witness to Democracy

When you're associate counsel of Rolls-Royce Inc., the U.S. subsidiary of Rolls-Royce plc, and your regular job involves sales financing of aircraft engines to airline companies, a stint in the bush of Mozambique is not exactly a busman's holiday. Housed in "a bed in a building—no electricity, no running water," however, was where Marcia Nordgren '81 gladly found herself at the end of October 1994, serving as one of 1,200 U.N. observers of the first democratic elections ever held in the least-developed country in the world.

"I'm on a U.N. committee of international lawyers through the New York State Bar Association. They wanted nongovernmental observers of this election, people with a foreign language," Nordgren said. "Thanks to Middlebury, I'm fluent in French. I was a French and political science major with an international relations concentration." Bingo.

The United Nations entered Mozambique two years ago, and arranged a peace treaty among the people who had been fighting a civil war for 16 years. With peace reigning and the population mostly disarmed, 93 percent of the people eligible to vote in Mozambique registered. When Nordgren arrived, she witnessed how much this chance to vote meant to the people. Ninety-five percent of those registered voted during the three days of the election. Many walked at least 10 miles in the spring sun's heat; some, unable to walk, crawled on hands and knees, voted, and then crawled away again.

"This was the most meaningful contribution I've ever made," said Nordgren about her participation in democracy. "If I were hit by a bus tomorrow, I would feel I'd lived."

Mozambique lies along the southeastern coast of Africa, an enlarged mirror image of the island of Madagascar off its shore. It abuts Tanzania to the north, Zambia and Zimbabwe to the west, and South Africa to the south.

"I spent the nights in Nacala-Porto, a sandy, scrubby area with pure sand pathways that reminded me of Cape Cod," the attorney said. "Mozambique has unspoiled beaches, no industry, no economy, no wildlife preserves" to attract tourists—it's just an African savanna beginning democracy with a fair election. "There was no violence, no coercion."

Each day Nordgren and her paired observer, Mahmud Abdoullah, Nigeria's minister of foreign affairs, were taken into the bush to their polling station of four roofless, partially enclosed schoolrooms and three bamboo huts. She didn't realize until she returned how vulnerable they'd been, "how great the likelihood of some disaster happening was because we were so remote."

But nothing happened—except the most important experience of Marcia Nordgren's life. ■

several new parents. Elisa and **Brian Harvey** welcomed son Alex Cameron on October 20, 1994. ■ A new brother, Takanori Daniel, joined Ryosuke Kondo (3 1/2) and his parents, **Yvette Morrill** and Nobu Kondo, on June 7, 1994. Nobu continues to work as a stockbroker with his office in their home, and Yvette has her hands full taking care of the two boys and Emme, their yellow lab. ■ Charlotte Ann was welcomed into the Tina and **Dave McCary** clan on December 9, 1994, joining Rob and Lindsay. ■ **Arthur Poltrack** has been appointed chief financial officer at Cheslock, Bakker & Associates, where he is responsible for financial management and tax related matters. Arthur lives in Redding, CT, with wife Louise and children John (8) and Muriel (5). ■ **Ellen Guidera** has been with Walt Disney Consumer Products for eight years, including three years in Hong Kong and Bombay. Now based in Burbank, CA, as VP of new business development, Ellen "would love to see Middlebury friends again." ■ **Jim Taylor**'s book, *Psychology of Dance*, has been published by Human Kinetics, Inc. A consulting psychologist in Aspen, Jim is widely recognized for his work in the psychological aspects of performance in sport, the performing arts, business, and injury rehabilitation. He is the author of the Mental Edge series of prime performance books (tennis, golf, skiing, alpine ski racing, competitive sports), does a column for *The Denver Post* and *Ski Racing*, and is writing two more books. ■ Our 15th Reunion is now in the history books, but we hope it has motivated everyone to stay in closer touch with classmates and the College.

1981

REUNION CLASS

Class Secretaries: *Anne Borchardt Exler, 6160 Llanfair Dr., Columbia, MD 21044; and Sue Dutcher Wagley, 4060 Hanover, Dallas, TX 75225.*

Eric and **Jennifer Rose Nelson** were married on September 17, 1994. Congratulations to them and to several new parents in our class. ■ Nancy and **Darrell C. Brown** of Chestnut Hill, MA, celebrated the birth of their first child, Alec Ian, on January 2, 1995: "Mother and baby both doing excellently; father is recovering." ■ Dale and **Margie Higgins Cox** of Palm Bay, FL, have a son, Jeffrey Edward, born August 9, 1994. ■ **David Nalen**'s son, Christopher Anthony, was born on August 9, 1994, joining sister Austin. ■ Kathleen Anne joined parents David and **Debbie Reece Reinhart** and brother Daniel (5) on January 1, 1995. Debbie says they enjoy living in Kalamazoo and they're "wondering if any other Midd grads are up here?" ■ Don and **Diane Meyer Lowman** welcomed their second child, Devon Lee, on March 21, 1995. ■ **Michael Tharp** is enjoying life with daughter Carissa (2) in Phoenix. He continues to set new personal records in 10K runs and half marathons and was preparing for his first marathon in Las Vegas. ■ **Stephen R. Hertz**, who joined the firm of Debevoise & Plimpton in 1985, became counsel to the firm on May 1. His practice focuses on public and private company mergers and acquisitions and securities law. ■ **Andy Mayer** is the new executive director of the Anacortes (WA) Chamber of Commerce (819 Commercial Ave., Suite G, 98221; 206/243-7911). As the Chamber of Commerce would say, Anacortes is a beautiful resort community north of Seattle and the gateway to the San Juan Islands in the Puget Sound. ■ In Pembroke, ME, **Ann Luginbuhl** is the special education and gifted and talented program teacher. She taught at the Charlotte, ME, Elementary School 1985-88. ■ **Mark Holzbach** (e-mail: march@media.mit.edu) is the director of Asaca Corp., a Japanese company manufacturing computer mass storage systems. From Tokyo he travels frequently around Asia and has advice about visiting Vietnam: "Go now before it gets too developed!" In 1995 he plans to move back to the U.S. with life partner Dana Friis-Hansen and start his own company.

1982

Class Secretaries: *Alison R. McGhee, 3441 Girard Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN 55408; and Charles H. Robinson III, 118 Paradise Ave., Piermont, NY 10968.*

Did you spot **Mitchell Cohen** winning on "Jeopardy" April 14 and 15? (Anne Borchardt Exler '81 did.) Congratulations to him and to our newlyweds and new parents! ■ **Laura Cassedy** and Michael Friend were married on January 3, 1995, in Vienna. Laura works in Moscow. ■ When **Tami Woolsey** and David Munford '72 were married on October 5, 1994, it was a very Middlebury wedding. Tami's parents are Thomas '56 and Lois Guernsey Woolsey '57. David's parents are Howard '34 and Marion Jones Munford '32. ■ **Melissa Mims** married Eric E. Jones, M.D., on May 7, 1994. They live in Washington, DC. ■ **Tom Donner**, an assistant prof. of endocrinology at the Univ. of MD Hospital, married Danielle Saba on May 28, 1994. They honeymooned in Greece and Spain. Tom was looking forward to sitting in on one of **Jim Ralph**'s history lectures at Midd. ■ **Jonathan Warner** reports the birth of Victoria Abigail ("Abby") on May 9, 1994: "She is a dream come true!" ■ David and **Lisa Kissinger Kaplan**, who were married in 1991, have just finished renovating their Oakland hills home: "Getting it up to code for CA's seasons—earthquake season, fire season, flood season." Lisa is public relations director for a Bay Area publisher. ■ Also in the Bay Area are **Leah Sirkin**, husband Steve Brock '80, and daughter Mira (2). Leah is teaching yoga, still acting from time to time, and performing in a children's theatre company. ■ **Brett Berman** (e-mail: b.berman @torfree.net) has moved from Montreal to Toronto with wife Jennifer and daughter Devon (20 months). Brett has bought a house and taken a new job as VP, corporate development, at NCE Resources Group. ■ **Mary Ann Petkiewicz Wilmarth** was recently certified as a clinical specialist in orthopedic physical therapy. She holds a master's in physical therapy from Duke (1984) and works at North Andover (MA) Physical Therapy Associates. Mary Ann and husband Roger live in Andover with their three children. ■ **Nate Rockwell** and wife Lynn have two daughters (4 and 6) in Chester, NH. Nate, who continues to work in the field of software engineering, had Thanksgiving plans to get together with KDR buddy Dave Winchell '83. ■ **Christopher Popper**, manager of the Ramada Inn in Bangor, ME, was recently elected to the Bangor City Council. Chris and Bonnie have two sons, Craig (4) and Collin (2). ■ **Liz Cascella Auran** is still a loyal New Yorker. She teaches English lit. part-time at Barnard College and lives with her husband of 12 years and their two daughters. ■ **Jonathan Ben Kamien** (e-mail: jonathan.kamien@uvm.edu) writes from Toronto: "Married five years to Leslie Amass, Ph.D., who is also a behavioral pharmacologist. I am an avid biker, hiker, skier, tennis, and ultimate frisbee player. Recently I trained our cat, Veronica, to perform several Stupid Pet Tricks (e.g., beg, lie down, give paw); we're hoping for a Letterman shot in the future." Ben and Leslie work at the Addiction Research Foundation.

1983

Class Secretaries: *Karey Dubiel Dye, 10027 Doliver, Houston, TX 77042; and Jeanne Hammond Larsen, 2440 Tulik Dr., Anchorage, AK 99517.*

Jim and **Julie Greer Kelly** were married on April 24, 1994. With them to celebrate in Brentwood, NH, were Jonathan and **Tammy Burns Lomaki**, Tim and **Jennifer Dragone Ouellette**, Bob and **Libby West Mills**, **Katie Shipman**, Dr. **Sue Taylor**, **Renée Shattuck Haynes**, and Jim and Marjorie Harwood Greer '45. Jim and Julie are enjoying the house they built in Nottingham, NH, in 1991. Julie has been working in information systems at Liberty Mutual in Portsmouth for 10 years. ■ **Dave Magnus** is still teaching eighth grade American history at the Cinncinnati Country Day School. **Mary Hill Magnus** has been promoted to editor of *The Artist* magazine. Son Taylor arrived February 28, 1994, and daughter Rebecca is four this May. ■ **Naomi Freundlich** and **Charles Miles** have two daughters, Hannah (3 1/2) and Clara (7 months). Writes Naomi, "I am a freelance writer covering stories mainly in the health and medical fields." ■ **Laura Symancyk** and Albert Mandell '85 were married in Auburn, NY, on May 21, 1994. G. Tony Kono '84 and Dr. Eric P. Sullivan '85 were there for the festivities. The Mandells live in Norwich, NY. ■ Bobby '82 and **Sue Parsons Ritter** welcomed second daughter Christine, on July 14, 1994. Christine joins her sister, Katie (2). ■ Charles Raymond joined Beth and **Ken Edwards** on September 10, 1994. ■ **Ben** and **Susie Rose Merrick** announce the birth of daughter Katherine Rose Merrick on March 24, 1995. ■ Living in Wilmette, IL, are Catherine and **David MacKinnon** and their children, Lily (4), Isabel (2), and Angus Edward, born November 7, 1994. ■ Dr. **Stu Demirs**, who lives with wife Jennifer in

Wakefield, RI, is commuting between the Health Center at Wakefield and his new practice in Charlestown, RI. ■ **Carl Paulsen** is looking for job ideas now that he is "coming home to New England." He's moving from coastal GA to coastal NH: 1-B Dearborn Pl., Portsmouth 03801. ■ **Lise Markl** is still in DC, but leaves frequently, "most recently to hike the Paria River canyon (UT-AZ) and visit friends in and around San Francisco, such as **Jayne Benz Chipman**. Writing and editing furiously (freelance) so I can keep taking these trips!" ■ Last summer, printmaker **Jane Ogden Houston** demonstrated her art at the West River Farmer's Market in Londonderry, VT. Her wood and linoleum relief prints reflect the landscape of VT. Her "wearable art" includes handprinted T-shirts, aprons, and bags. Jane is also a teacher of art and printmaking at the Westminster School in Simsbury, CT. ■ **Lisa Partridge Ramsbottom** of Little Compton, RI, was a candidate for the school board last fall. Lisa and Scott have a son, Nathaniel (1). ■ **Carl Hobert** has joined the faculty of Belmont (MA) Hill School as chair of the modern language department. Carl was formerly a language teacher at Proctor Academy in Andover, NH. ■ **Noy Holland** and her husband, Sam Michel, are writers-in-residence at Phillips Academy in Andover. Her first collection of short fiction, *The Spectacle of the Body*, was published recently. ■ **Stephen Genereaux**, M.D., and Jamie O'Connor, A.N.P., who were married on October 15, 1994, have moved to the Northeast Kingdom of VT to provide health care in the Wells River-Woodsville area. They have found conditions in VT to be somewhat luxurious compared to those in AK, where they lived the last four years. In AK, they cared for Yupik Eskimos and traveled by boat, plane, and snowmobile to remote native villages to provide health care. ■ Bob and **Chandler Bohnn Gray** are living in Austin, TX. ■ **Maria Padian** and husband Conrad Schneider live in Brunswick, ME, with children Madeline and Christian. Travelers to New England can hear Maria's essays on public radio. ■ Robin and **Bob Norberg** live in Walpole, MA, with their five children (as Bob says, "count 'em"), Bobby (7), Betsy (6), Bryan (3), Chris (2), and Holly (4 months). Bob is in commercial real estate as a new business analyst and strategic planner. He keeps in touch with **Eric Anjou**, who is a director in Hollywood; **Ted Truscott**, a fund manager at Scudder, Stevens and Clark; and **Kerry Callahan**, who has been admitted to the partnership at his law firm in Hartford. ■ **Carolyn McCallum Maum** welcomed second son Blake in Greenwich, CT, earlier this year. ■ Chris and **Sarah Beeton Capel** and children Elizabeth and Blair live in NC, where Sarah works at home on legal matters for a commercial real estate company. Sarah reports that **Karlene Goller** has a fantastic job at the *Los Angeles Times* doing first amendment work. She's involved in *all* the big trials. ■ Some final good news! The College reports that the Class of 1983 Scholarship Fund is getting close to the $100,000 book value amount that will qualify it to be assigned to a particular student! ❖ *WEDDING PHOTO:* **Carey MacFarland** married Scott Lennox on November 5, 1994. Midd friends celebrating with them included **Kim Kiner Mazzone, Cristina Rueda**, Laura Bull Bailey '85, and **Amy Wilcox Shale**. Although Carey is recuperating from chronic fatigue syndrome, she has been teaching Italian and plans to get her real estate license. In January, she caught up with **Ruth Kennedy**, who was in Chicago on business.

1984

Class Secretaries: *Kristen Gould Case, 6490 Snowview Dr., Park City, UT 84060; and David Wagstaff IV, 1007 5th St., #D, Santa Monica, CA 90403.*

Dr. **Ellen Shammash Hotvedt** recently joined the section of rheumatology in the department of medicine at Ramsey Hospital in St. Paul, MN. Ellen lives in Eagan, MN, with husband Douglas and daughter Sarah. ■ Also new in MN, Dr. **David Sherris** is an assistant prof. in the department of otolaryngology, head and neck surgery, at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester. David won the Sir Harold Delf Gillies Award from the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and is co-editor of a book on facial reconstruction coming out this year. ■ **Stacey Chase**'s new address is 838 N. Augusta St., Staunton, VA 24401-3211. ■ **Lars Liebeler** has joined the Robinson Law Firm as a partner. His new work address is 717 D St. NW, Suite 400, Washington, DC 20004. ■ **Barbara Woodall**, education coordinator at the Fabric Workshop (nonprofit experimental silkscreen design) is teaching a class at Temple Univ. in art education. ■ Congratulations to **Terry Jones** and Dave Ennis, married on August 20, 1994, and to **Cynthia Harper** and Paul Sigmund, married last September. Cynthia is a Ph.D. candidate in public policy and demography at Princeton. ■ Dan and **Catherine Stone Bolender** have a son, Lucas Daniel, born June 1, 1994. He joins sister Rachel (2). ■ Peter Fortier and **Heather Lank** have built a new home (83 Newborough Crescent, Nepean, ON K2G 6A6, Canada). Of our 10th Reunion Heather says, "What a glorious weekend to strengthen the ties of friendship!" After a seven-month maternity leave with Tessa and Evie, Heather is back at work at the Senate. ■ Victoria and **Peter Lane** announced the arrival of daughter Courtney Georgia on October 19, 1994. ■ **Rebecca Bayless Theobald** and children Sarah (4) and Andrew (1 1/2) are enjoying the mountains again, having joined Chuck in Colorado Springs. Her spring task was to build a garage! ■ **Ed Schaefer** came out of 10 years' seclusion and Midd information depravation to list his positive efforts during this period as three kids, with wife Colleen, and "Mr. President" at Norwest WI. ■ **Wendy Tanner** recently took a six-month tour of S.E. Asia. ■ **Phil Huffman** finally put the Farmington River project to bed and returned for the fall semester at Yale. ■ Yak-**Matt Ellenthal** was going to Jazzfest in May. ■ **Richard** "Tricky Dick" **Makin** jumped ship to ING Bank in NY, where he is practicing his skill in syndicating complex financings. ■ **Brian O'Day** added Conner Patrick as a dependent on February 28 and a new home in SW15 in London. Breakfast at

Carey MacFarland '83 and Scott Lennox (see 1983 column)

Jane Harvey '85 and Charles Curtis '85 (see 1985 column)

Cynthia Griffin and Tim Ferris '85 (see 1985 column)

Laura Ottaviano '85 and Miro Copic (see 1985 column)

Kerry Blanquet and Peter Anderson '86 (see 1986 column)

Elizabeth R. Lambert '86 and Richard T. Henshaw IV (see 1986 column)

Maura Webber '86 and Carlos Sadovi (see 1986 column)

Sheila D'Arcy '88 and Marc D. Boyle '88 (see 1988 column)

Wimbledon at the O'Days; all are invited. ■ **James** "T" **Burke** has been getting rave reviews for his recent haircut and recent directing efforts in LA, including *Waiting for the Parade.* ■ **Ham Hackney,** new MVP on the Boston scene, may end up in Sing-Sing, but will be out swinging the lumber throughout the summer in preparation for Alumni Golf in September. ■ **Paul Quinlan** has taken a part-time job as the Utah rep. for Speedo, a swimwear company. ■ **Steve Moynahan** has started Active Sports Recycling in Salt Lake City; show your original Midd ID and get 15 percent off bikes, fitness equipment, or in-line skates. ■ Caroline and **Grant Dewey** were spotted in the Jacuzzi at the Cliff Lodge at Snowbird after an exhilarating day in the spa/powder, respectively. ■ **David Wagstaff** will be traveling east for Jazzfest, July 4, and the Perine Alumni Classic in September '95, so track him down. ■ Alice and **Dave Christopher** added Alexander McPherson to the household in February '95. ■ **Tom** "Belushi" **Kottler** was in Fairfield, CT, at last word, with plans to start a bagel business. ■ **Brian Napack** was recently spotted in Burbank, CA, with rugby boots. ■ **Cathy Mehrtens** was spotted outside the Odeon, gearing up for a hike in the Santa Monica mountains; home continues to be in Laguna Hill, CA, where she is crushing the competition with her "fire sale" Always Adjustable Indexed mortgage. ■ Meg and **Josh Rabinowitz** had their second, Josh Jr. ("Biz"), who joins older sister Lucy. ■ See page 3 for **Kevin Mahaney**'s adventures in the World Cup.

1985

Class Secretaries: *Toni Mauck, 40 Falmouth Rd., Falmouth, ME 04105; and Phil LeTourneau, 5903 Tokay, N.E., Albuquerque, NM 87107.*

Tom and Marybeth Comerci '89 **Nuovo** have started their own law firm in Burlington, VT. They toured Italy following their June 1994 wedding. ■ **Jack** and Ruth Hill '84 **Klinck** enjoyed settling into their first house in Richmond, VA. Jack is working at Circuit City in strategic planning/marketing as manager, major appliances, while Ruth is manager, sales support, at Owens & Minor, a medical/surgical supply distributor. ■ **Peter Drewniany** is a Peace Corps volunteer in Poland. He can be reached at LO im. Boleslawa, Podwale 16, 68-200 Zary, Poland. ■ **Suzanne Uhrig** and Jay B. Eidson were married on June 18, 1994; they live in Lexington, MA. ■ **Janet Arnold** was married on Nantucket September 10, 1994, to Richard Hart (UPenn, NYU Law School). In attendance were **Kris Anderson, Laura Bull Bailey, Rawson Hubbell, Edith Furber Zhang,** and Tony '85 and Susan Lanna Fitzgerald '83. Janet is an associate at the San Francisco office of Coudert Brothers, a New York law firm. Richard is an associate at Coudert Brothers in San Jose. ■ A mini-reunion in May 1993 at the Norwich Inn Spa and Resort in CT, brought Laura Ottaviano together with **Cynthia Van Vranken Keating, Elizabeth Hawkey, Cordelia Pitman, Kate Murphy, Eileen Minnefor, Shelagh Connor Shapiro, Fiona Coleman-Richardson, Carol Milaccio-Albert, Christina Bailar, Ann Friedhofer,** and **Lisa Arias.** ■ Dave and **Cynthia Van Vranken Keating** recently moved to Wilton, CT. Cynthia works for Van Den Burgh Foods, a division of Unilever. ■ **Adair Mali** and Lyn Antonio Guindon were married in October in Norfolk, CT. Adair teaches tropical ecology at the Monteverde Institute in Monteverde, Costa Rica, where Tonio is a custom furniture builder. ■ Kimberly and **D. Alex Barnes** announce the birth of Caroline Ann on July 23, 1994. Alex reports: "I recently met up with **Jamie O'Brien, Doug Stolberg,** and **Jim Ammeen** at the September 3 wedding of **David Yim** in Minneapolis. A good time was had by all!" To that we can add that **David Yim** married Linda Schultz, a senior financial analyst. David is a senior fixed income analyst at IDS Financial Services in Minneapolis. ■ **Jim Ammeen** sent news from Indianapolis, where he's in his final year of law school at the IN Univ. School of Law: "In addition to completing law school, I am editor in chief of the *IN International and Comparative Law Review.*" ■ In St. Louis, **Lyn Hermann Grace** reports a recent visit from **Maureen Menikheim,** who had just visited Japan. ■ In what is becoming an annual event, **Peter Clough** flew out from Philadelphia to IA for a long weekend visit with **Chris Lande** last August. ■ Laura and **Dale Sailer**'s new daughter, Emma Lynne, was born October 14, 1994, joining brother Philip (2). ■ **Lorraine Siciliano** (LSICILI@vdhvax.vdh.state.vt.us) and Brian Joyce celebrated the birth of son Alexander Joyce on June 9, 1994, joining his sister, Kelly (2). They're enjoying life in Burlington, VT. ■ Ryan and **Amanda Vaughan Walter** report the birth of daughter Lauren Danielle on October 14, 1994. Amanda is the product manager for drink mixers at Cadbury Schweppes in Stamford, CT. ■ David and **Lisa Miller Browdy** have a son, Joel William, born August 21, 1994. ■ Paul III, son of Paul and **Elizabeth (Lissa) Briggs Gosiger,** was born on January 24, 1995. ■ **Toni Mauck,** an assistant VP at Bath Savings Institution in ME, is now the manager of a new branch office in Falmouth. ■ **Regan Remillard** has been elected a director of the Commerce Group, Inc., in Boston. ■ John and **Julie Hennessey-Niland** have relocated to The Hague in the Netherlands, where Julie is a strategic marketing manager for AT&T Network Systems International. John, a foreign service officer, is posted to the U.N. War Crimes Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. ■ Sharp eyes recently spotted **Michael O'Reilly** in the *Harvard Gazette.* Michael is a research fellow and lead author of a report on a protein useful in preventing the growth of secondary tumors.

❖ *WEDDING PHOTO:* **Jane Harvey** and **Charlie Curtis** were married on September 17, 1994. Revelers in Baltimore included **Martha Punderson** and **Dave Graf, T. Nelson, Su Harvey** and Michael Hardie '84, **Leslie Hazlewood-Spurr,** Art '83 and **Elizabeth Attridge Melville, David** and **Heather Kelly-Hedrick,** Jay '82 and **Julie Cunningham Cook, John** and **Karen Rockow Chalmers** (with son, Zachary), Annie Baetjer Jenkins '80, Tom Gavigan '86, **Geoff May, David** and **Betsey Herdman Goldstein, Leslie McCormick,** Chris D'Antonio '86, Jenn Blake '86, Ham Hackney '84, Cappy Jackson '79, **John McIntosh,** Geoff Hale '84, and **Ned Brown.** Jane is an associate at Hillis, Clark, Martin & Peterson, a Seattle law firm, while Charlie is a specialist in hazardous materials abatement at Abide International in Kirkland, WA. ■ **Tim Ferris** and Cynthia Griffin were married June 11, 1994, in Princeton, NJ. In attendance were Scott Stroup '82, Erica Wonnacott, **James Upton,** Clark and Megan Wonnacott Sutton '81, and **Alan Cole.** Tim is finishing his residence at Mass General Hospital in Boston and Cynthia teaches high school English at Buckingham, Browne, and Nichols School in Cambridge. ■

Laura Ottaviano and Miro Copic (USC '84, HBS '87) were married May 29, 1994, in Newport Beach, CA. Living in Coral Gables, FL, Laura is a product manager, Playtex div., Sara Lee, and Miro is director of marketing and strategic planning for Savoy. **Cynthia Van Vranken Keating** (4th from right) was a bridesmaid.

1986

MIDDLEBURY

REUNION CLASS

Class Secretaries: *Kathryn Cater, 1087 Club Pl., Atlanta, GA 30319; Lyle Fulkerson, 99 Perry St., Brookline, MA 02146; and Chris Peters, 2821 Carlisle, #312, Dallas, TX 75204.*

Juliet Lambert played a featured role in last winter's Montreal production of *Kiss of the Spider Woman,* with Chita Rivera in the lead. n **Cynthia Davis** married John Reagle (WI '86, Duke Law '91) in June 94. With a fresh Ph.D. in English literature from Duke, she began teaching at Univ. of SC in Columbia. n Rob and **Elisabeth Armstrong Connell** have bought a 1790s farm-style house in Unionville, PA. Elisabeth writes, "I'm scheduled to graduate from Univ. of PA (BSN/MSN dual degree) from the master's Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Program with plans to enter oncology next summer." ■ Marine Capt. **Michael H. Green** recently reported for duty with Inspector-Instructor Staff, 4th Force Reconnaissance Co., Navy and Marine Corps Reserve Center, Honolulu. ■ At Milton Academy, **Mike Kinnealey** became director of athletics and physical education last August. Since joining Milton in 1986, Mike has worked in admissions, taught history, and coached sports. ■ Newlyweds Jeffrey and **Lynne Beers Walters** are living in NYC. Lynne is a social worker at St. Joseph Services for Children and Families in Brooklyn, while Jeffrey is with Wertheim Schroder securities brokers. ■ The gathering for last September's marriage of Cynthia Duong-van and **Mark Wilcox** included Elizabeth Wilcox Snow '89, Paul Wilcox '91, James Wilcox '94, **Glenn Gellert, Bill Hallock**, Dr. Robert Martin '50, and Mark Galiette '78. ■ **Jeneva Burroughs** and Roger Stone were married on November 26, 1994, and moved to Bethesda, MD, in April. Jeneva, who received her Ph.D. in English literature in May 1994, is writing on education policy. ■ **Heather Frazier Komaromy** and husband Gabor (married in January 1994) are living in Dallas, TX, where Heather is a television reporter for WFAA-TV. ■ **Joshua Weil** graduated from the Univ. of IL College of Medicine in May. In June, he started his residence training at the Univ. of CA, Davis, Medical Center in emergency medicine. ■ **Charlotte Lindsay**, a high school French and Spanish teacher in Golden, CO, took 13 of her students to France for two weeks in March. She is working on her M.A. in Spanish at Middlebury's summer school. ■ **Helen Van Praagh Parnas** and husband Jean-Pierre are living in Natick, MA, with son Benjamin, born July 17, 1994. Helen teaches French at the Charles River School, while Jean-Pierre is an architect at DRA, a firm in Newton. ■ Susan and **Chip Tangen** of Reston, VA, are the proud parents of Katherine (Katie) Dianne, born June 1, 1993. ■ A son, Grant Robert, joined **Jeffrey** and Katherine Ury '87 **Steiger** on December 4, 1994. ■ Lt. **Torsten Garber** and wife Julia announce the birth of their daughter, Savannah Laurel Garber, on January 15, 1995. Living in Burlington, WA , Torsten has kept up with **Thor Tyson, Karsten Praeger**, and **Todd Brophy**. ■ Marie and **Tony Malloy** welcomed their son, James Volpe Malloy, on March 15, 1995. They live in Ridgewood, NJ. ■ In Lexington, MA, David Parker and **Janet Tiampo** announce the birth of son Noah Lambert Parker on February 27, 1995. He joins his sister, Anna. ❖*WEDDING PHOTOS:* When Kerry Blanquet and **Pete Anderson** were married on October 8, 1994, they celebrated with John Kramer '76, **Chris** and **Bettina Thompson Stern, Steve Martus, Matt Carroll, Kate Tabner** and **Mike Boardman**, Al McDonald '85, and **Bill Weldon**. The newlyweds live in Zurich, Switzerland, where Pete works for Capital Market Services. ■ **Liza Lambert** and **Richard Henshaw** were married in Greenwich, CT, on August 27, 1994. Joining the celebration at the Belle Haven Club were Tim '87 and Rhonda Gagne Kaliban '87, Kim Caldwell '76, John Lambert '76, **Nick** and **Cathy Gagne Peacock, R. Helen Tulloh, Peter Watt**, and **Ned Catlin**. ■ **Maura Webber** married Carlos Sadovi on May 21, 1994, in Rumson, NJ. Midd friends attending included Robert '87 and **Adrienne Dougherty Martin, Lisa Hillner, Cory Zanin, Maggie Hess, Amy Field**, and the Rev. Philip A.C. Clarke '51.

1987

Class Secretaries: *John A. Castle, 95 Hays Ave., S. Burlington, VT 05403; and Cameron C. McClearn, 891 Massachusetts Ave., #7, Cambridge, MA 02139.*

Heather Karlson, still computer consulting, is back in school part time studying botany and ecology. Husband Bill Leeson '86 is a fourth-year medical student at the Univ. of CO, applying to family practice residencies in the Northeast and Northwest. ■ **Steve Pantazopoulos** and wife Isabella live in Brussels, Isabella's hometown, where Steve has opened an office for his firm's work with the European Commission. Isabella is an international marketing consultant for a British firm. ■ For news of **John** and Margaret McDonald '88 **DeVine**, see the 1988 column. ■ **Liz Carr** received her Ph.D. in clinical psychology in June 1994. In February, she left for Brazil and "other areas of South America. I may return to the U.S. in about a year—or maybe longer if I'm having a great time." ■ **Judy Murray Tedeschi** of Cohasset, MA, is the new advertising program administrator at Pilgrim Health Care. Judy was formerly a senior account manager at Lehman Millet Advertising. ■ **Eileen Angelini**, director of the foreign language program at Philadelphia College of Textiles and Science, has been chosen to serve as a cultural diplomat between the U.S. and France. Last year, Eileen got a grant to participate in "Spreading the Word: Improving Foreign Language Instruction in Colleges and Universities." ■ **Patricia Clary** and **Bernard F. Condon III** were married last September in New Canaan, CT. Pat is a senior real estate consultant at Ernst & Young in NYC, while Bernard is a business reporter at the *Daily Record* in Parsippany, NJ. ■ **Tom Gura**'s marriage in Quito, Ecuador, was attended by Tom's father and brother, George Gura Jr. '58 and George Gura III '84. Tom and Veronica are living in Phoenix, AZ. ■ **Elisabeth Holmes** and George McKean were married October 14, 1994. She is an assistant product manager at L&F Products in Montvale, NJ. George is an associate director in the investment banking div. of Barclays Bank, NYC. ■ **Michael Garvey**

Melissa Duryea '88 and Craig Lewis (see 1988 column)

For those who recall the freshman "New Faces" mishap, when the photos of Leonard Geiger '88 and Claire-Louise "Missy" Geisler '88 were switched, you will be happy to hear that the two enjoyed a festive holiday reunion in New York City—10 years later.

Kimberley Maynard '88 and Paul G. Martin '88 (see 1988 column)

Kris Eardensohn '89 and Peter Stelter

Elizabeth Ozimek '89 and Charles Crawley (see 1989 column)

Victoria Northrop '90 and Cesar D. Beltran (see 1990 column)

Kiersten Haskell '90 and Nicholas Warendorf '91 (see 1990 column)

Annette Bay and Art McAleer '90 (see 1990 column)

Barbara Castle '91 and Bob Clark '89 (see 1991 column)

is a foreign service officer at the U.S. Consulate in Guangzhou, China, where he and wife Ekaterina are living. ■ Dr. **Phil Lawson** is completing his final year at N.W. Ontario Family Medical Residency Program in Thunder Bay, ON. Phil plans to practice medicine "in a remote rural location, after some travel." ■ When **Tom Funk** wrote, he had "just returned from an eight-month, 7,000-mile bicycle trip from Paris throughout Eastern Europe with my partner, Elizabeth Maher." ■ **Sara Reals** (Tunhua South Rd., Section 2, Lane 172, Alley 5, #2, 2F, Taipei, Taiwan 106, Republic of China) has been in Taipei since June 1988. She works for a newspaper and does secretarial work for a church. She also teaches English to Taiwanese students. ■ **Catherine Lumsden** and Michael Davila were married on July 23, 1994, and are living in Washington, DC. ■ Also in DC is **Jeffrey Crater**, who has "left the job in Congress for a new job in the Clinton administration: executive assistant to assistant secretary for environmental management Tom Grumbly, responsible for the cleanup of the nuclear weapons complex at the Department of Energy." ■ Todd '87 and **Eleanor Ode Walter** have a daughter, Cassandra Clarke, born March 14, 1995; she joins brother Addison (2 1/2). They are renovating their 1890 Victorian house in Montclair, NJ. ■ **Joseph Beninati** recently celebrated son Joseph Mark's first birthday. He says he has "moved to Georgetown, to become chairman of Telos Corp., a 2,000-person information technology company I bought with my partners." ■ After four years in south TX working in the Brownsville Zoo, **Marina Penalver** is headed back to New England. As of June, her address is Torrington Point, Peaks Island, ME 04108. Marina's work at the zoo included tasks like acting as liaison between the zoo vet and community volunteers who aid sea creatures in distress. For example, there was "Gilly, a bottle-nosed dolphin calf who had beached after becoming entangled in a gillnet. Gillnets are banned in the U.S., but Mexican fishermen still use them and commonly cut them loose to drift in the Gulf of Mexico." Gilly was lucky to recuperate, "as beached dolphins have a high mortality rate."

1988

Class Secretaries: *Liana Discepolo Caffrey, #15 Wollaston Ave., #1, Arlington, MA 02174; Claire Gwatkin, 3901 Cathedral Ave. N.W., #512, Washington, DC 20016; and Chris Summersgill, 1738 Chicago Ave., #205, Evanston, IL 60201.*

Cynthia R. Smith is the "captain of a 106-foot boat doing environmental education on the Hudson River." ■ **Helena Wooley Cunningham** continues to teach French at the Lawrenceville School, while husband Christopher is writing his dissertation. ■ **Beth Zogby** (ezogby@center.colgate.edu) has been assistant director of annual support for Colgate Univ. since September. She has an acceptance at Cornell for her Ph.D. in communication, which is deferred for now. ■ A daughter, Tatum Morse, joined Mark '85 and **Hilary Colgate McInerney** on October 21, 1994. Her brother, Connor, was three this May. ■ Down in Australia, David '89 and **Robin Poluhowich Marshack** welcomed daughter Alexandra Quinn "Sasha" Marshack on April 3, 1995. ■ John '87 and **Margaret McDonald DeVine** are living in Chicago, where John is an attorney and Marjie is director of major gifts at Children's Memorial Medical Center. ■ **Sheryl Parker** and **James Grayer** were married on June 12, 1994. They live in Atlanta, where she is an epidemiologist with the American Cancer Society and he is a law associate at Kramer Levin Nessen. ■ **Sarah Korjeff** and Robert Mumford were married in December 1994. Both are employed by the Cape Cod Commission in Barnstable, MA. ■ Neil and **Christine Lussier Sass**, married August 28, 1994, are both working in NYC. Neil is a freelance TV videotape editor. Christine is assistant manager of pricing and inside sales for Travel Bound, Inc., a large tour operator specializing in travel packages to Europe. ■ **Katherine Grubbs** was married in January 1994 to Gerald Donovan. They are living in San Diego, where Katherine is getting a Ph.D. in English at UCSD. ■ **Andrea Scoppetta** is counseling inner city adolescents and their families at Children's Aid Society. Husband **Patrick Stern**, a musician in NYC, recently released his debut CD, *Hands On*. Pat's music can be heard on WFUV (NYC), KCRW (Santa Monica, LA), and WRMC. Pat's CD is available from Chileno Boy Music, 357A Clinton St., Brooklyn, NY 11231, and will soon be available throughout the eastern U.S. ❖ ***WEDDING PHOTOS:*** Gathering in Osterville, MA, for the June 11, 1994, marriage of **Sheila D'Arcy** and **Marc Boyle** were **Chris Farr, Kate Grund**, Lyle '86 and **Sarah Thompson Fulkerson**, Kevin D'Arcy '84, **Jim Falvey, Rebecca Martin Connard, Gordon Tichell, Torrey Wise, Vic Sulzer, Ed O'Mara**, Tim Bianchi '95, and Sean Bianchi '97. ■ The July 1994 marriage of **Melissa Duryea** and Craig Lewis brought several Midd friends to the Napa Valley: **Sarah Huntoon, Pam Frederick, Bradley Brown, Roberta Sengelmann, Jed Smith**, and **Jill Horwitz**. Melissa and Craig live in San Francisco, where she works for an urban planning consulting firm and he's working for BZW division of Barclays. ■ The Midd crowd in Marblehead, MA, for the October 22, 1994, marriage of **Kimberley Maynard** and **Paul G. Martin** included **Frisk Ewing**, Quinn Pollack '90, Jennifer Latchford, **Scott Javnich**, Katie Schiller Ward '89, **Brad** and **Shannon Murphy Brown, Anya Purin, Michelle Dube, Michelle Millin**, Lynn Telford Javnich '89, Susan Tisdell Maynard '57, Chihana Tsutsui '95, Susan Johnson '89, Kris Eardensohn Stelter '89, **Jonathan Shipler, Jim Calise, Jeff Storey** (with Kasey), Bubba Dubrevil '90, Joshua Schiffer '95, and **Melissa Perry Penton**.

1989

Class Secretaries: *Kristen Canfield McBurney, 7325 47th Ave., S.W., Seattle, WA 98136; and Timothy O'Shea, 51 Gilbert Rd., Belmont, MA 02178.*

James Zanze has been named VP, corporate finance, of Hambrecht & Quist, Inc., in San Francisco. ■ **Meghan Laslocky** has joined St. Michael's College of Colchester as academic grants coordinator. Meghan was previously a program specialist at the National Endowment for the Humanities in DC. ■ **Timothy Murphy** received a Doctor of Medicine degree from Hahnemann Univ. School of Medicine in Philadelphia. He will complete an internal medicine residency at Fitzsimmons Army Medical Center in Aurora, CO. ■ **Chris Green** has joined a general dentistry practice in Augusta, ME. His concentration at Tufts Dental School was restorative

dentistry, especially with children. ■ **David** and Robin Poluhowich '88 **Marshack** are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Alexandra Quinn "Sasha" Marshack, born April 3, 1995. The Marshacks are working in Australia. ■ After 2 1/2 years with Prudential Securities, **Haydn Cutler** writes, "I quit my job and packed up the car for a month-long cross-country excursion with my wife, Liz, and my dog, Layla. We visited lots of Midd friends along the way. I am starting an import/export company and am excited by the new opportunities ahead." ■ Newlyweds Jon and **Katie Schiller Ward** live in Durham, NC, where Katie is at the Fuqua School of Business at Duke and Jon is a production engineer with WTVD-TV in Durham. ■ For news of Tom '85 and **Marybeth Comerci Nuovo**, see the 1985 column. ■ **Elisabeth Hollander** and Bart Rickenbaugh were married on September 3, 1994. They are at home in Denver. ■ The August 27, 1994, marriage of **Laura White** and Harold Napper brought **Laureen Scaia Mathon** and **Gaelan Benway** to Westport, NY. Best wishes were sent from **Beatrice Metzger Fagan** (also married that same day), **Cynthia Niiler** (in grad school in MN), **Jan Philbrick Carleton**, and Simon and **Betsy Bechan Stern** (who just bought a house in Louisville, KY). ■ September 17, 1994, was the wedding day of Kelly Finkral and **John Renwick IV** in Chatham, MA. In NYC, John is an assistant equity research analyst at Morgan Stanley & Co., and Kelly is an assistant broadcast producer at Tarlow Advertising. ■ Jennifer Gaulke and **Joseph J. Cusimano III** were married at Case Western Reserve Univ. on April 23, 1994. Jay is employed by Esther S. Weissman Co., and Jennifer by the OH Public Defender Commission. They are living in Bay Village, OH. ■ **Gabriella Stollenwerck** has been appointed executive director of marketing, large format, at Sony Pictures Classics in NYC. Her first project was *Wings of Courage* from Academy Award-winning director Jean-Jacques Annaud, in IMAX 3-D. Since joining Sony in 1992 as advertising and publicity director, she has worked on such award-winning pictures as *Howards End* and *Indochine*. ❖ ***WEDDING PHOTOS:*** **Kris Eardensohn** married Peter Stelter on October 8, 1994. With them for the occasion in Montpelier, VT, were **Laura Zink, Anne-Marie Story**, Kristi Garrett '88, Paul '88 and Kim Maynard Martin '88, and **Eric** and **Cathy Butts Vikstrom**. Peter is a Naval officer on board the USS *Mississippi*. Kris is a physical therapist working at a sub-acute rehab and nursing facility in Virginia Beach. ■ Following the marriage of **Elizabeth Ozimek** and Charles Crawley on June 11, 1994, the bride was surrounded by Middlebury friends **Christine Jacobsen, Dorothea Herrey, Sarah Dumke**, Elizabeth Ryan O'Brien '87, **Helen Davidson, Jennifer Weil, Victoria Hoyt, Maura Phelan**, Eliza Wilson Ingle '90, **Charlotte Bergmans, Kathleen Brigham, Effie Wister**, and **Nathalie Kurylko**.

1990

Class Secretaries: *Mary Stechschulte, 308 W. 12th St., #2, Lawrence, KS 66044; and Paul E. Needham, 3 Monument Cir., Hingham, MA 02043.*

Jim and **Wendy Bagwell Cleary** are living in Brooklyn, NY. Wendy is a senior publicist at Abbeville Press, following editorial jobs at *Self* and *Glamour*. ■ **Deborah Gow Baginski** is a physical therapist in Philadelphia. Husband David is graduating from Hahnemann Univ. Medical School in the near future. ■ **John Patterson** works for the Congressional Budget Office in Washington, DC. He lives in Arlington, VA, with wife Julie, whom he met at Princeton, where they both received Master's of Public Affairs degrees. ■ **Suzan Parker, Mimi Gottesfeld, Audrey Pritchard**, and **Valerie Van Vleck** were bridesmaids when **Leanne Potvin** married Dan Fesenmeyer last October. Leanne informs us that "**Jessika Nugent** and **Kris Nelson** joined us from jolly ole England." Leanne is group marketing manager at Benckiser Consumer Products in Danbury, CT. ■ Charlotte and **Todd Wetzel** have a son, Robert Francis, born January 25, 1995. ■ **YoungHae Chu**, an account executive with Richmond Public Relations in Seattle, won a Golden Bell Award from the Hospitality Sales & Marketing Association's competition last January in NYC. ■ Due to an oil contract Pennzoil and a consortium of Western companies signed last September with Azerbaijan, **Douglas Toole** is "still an administrative supervisor and PR man in Baku," but he now has "a little more job serenity." The contract involves an "$8-billion investment over the 30-year life of the project." ■ **Jessica Sturchio** married Mark Raymond on December 10, 1994, becoming the stepmother of two little boys. She is also busy with freelance copywriting and copyediting. "We bought an old farmhouse in Middlebury and are slowly fixing it up. Cassie Hartmann '91 made it to the wedding after two years at sea as first mate on a private sailboat. She was heading back out, after a trip to New Zealand in the spring. **Laura Rude** also came. She's in Boston, doing great." ■ **Patrick Dorton**, deputy press secretary, Democratic National Committee, invites classmates to visit him in Washington, DC. He reports that **Rob Gray** is press secretary for Congressman Peter Blute. ■ **Gary Sedlik** planned to return to the L.A. area after finishing law school at American Univ. this spring. Gary has been in a DC law clinic, representing indigent clients appealing felony convictions. ■ At Washington State Univ. School of Law, **Kent Anderson** is pursuing a joint degree in Asian studies and law. He has a Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship from the Joint Center for East Asian Studies. ■ **Kara Oliver** is teaching seventh grade social studies at Peoples Academy High School in Morristown, VT. ■ **Paola Venturini** is living in Buenos Aires, Argentina, working in the sales and marketing department of the Hyatt Hotel, "which allows me to also do what I love—travel and use my languages." ■ **Dawn Drew**'s husband, Scott, got a Navy transfer to Jacksonville, FL, in February 1993. Dawn, who works for American Tourister in human resources, was recently accepted in the Society for Human Resource Managers. She's also working on her master's in H.R. ■ **Celeste Mary Parent**, a resident of Natick, received her master's in French last year from Simmons College in Boston. ■ The Middlebury crowd at the wedding of **Dorie McCullough** and Tim Lawson on October 15, 1994, included **Karen Boyden, Liz Cady, Alison Bramley Miller, Sarah Martel, Paige Walker, Reid Smith, David Milner, David Campbell**, Holly Foskett '91, Julie Cherau '91, Chris Wood '88, Woody Jackson '74, Brian Foss '89, Bud Leeds, Steven Rockefeller (prof. of religion), and Barbara Bellows (prof. of history). ■ Although **Art McAleer** attends Amos Tuck School, he refuses to wear Dartmouth paraphernalia: "My school spirit is true blue—GO BLUE!" Working with J.P. Morgan in San Francisco last summer,

Cricket Keleher '91 and John Braun '91 (see 1991 column)

Jennifer Poinier '91 and Bryan Ballinger (see 1991 column)

Emily Stowe '91 and Thomas Cleaveland (see 1991 column)

Anne Hawley and Nando Zucchi '91 (see 1991 column)

Dvera Hadden '92 and Curtis B. Ford, Jr. (see 1992 column)

Art ran into **Dave Parrot, Todd Stone, Steve West, Barb Menzel, Valerie Van Vleck**, and Erica Nourjian '92. He reports that "Todd and Dave are into breakneck mountain biking, Steve holds records for salmon fishing, and Erica is really improving her golf game." ❖ *WEDDING PHOTOS:* On December 18, 1994, **Victoria Northrop** married Cesar D. Beltran. Midd friends in Pomfret, CT, for the celebration included **Paul Bastone**, Scott Derby '89, Thomas Armbrecht '92, Vello Pettai '89, and Jen Gosnell '89. Friends visiting the Caribbean area should contact Victoria at USIS, U.S. Embassy, Santo Domingo, Unit 5543, APO, AA 34041. ■ The Midd crowd at the June 25, 1994, marriage of **Kiersten Haskell** and Nick Warendorf '91 included Piper Lounsbury '92, Mimi Warendorf '92, Andrew Resnik '91, **Natalie Waters**, Steve Warendorf '89, **Deborah Reed**, Steve Fedele '91, Bryan Thomas '91, **Deborah Tobey**, Colin Higgins '91, Bob Warendorf '62, Steve Hopkins '89, Bill Tobin '91, Jim LeNaitre '91, and Jeff Collins '91. ■ Annette and **Art McAleer**, who were married on September 10, 1994, met while Art was working in Lausanne, Switzerland, in 1992-93. Celebrating with them at Bolton Landing, Lake George, NY, were Gordon McAleer '66, Judith Loetterle Hoben '66, **Mike Lane, Wendy Williams, Ken Davis, Rob Hansen, Steve West**, and Barbara and Martin Beatty '84.

Eileen Marvin '92 and John Hosbein '92 (see 1992 column)

1991

REUNION CLASS

Class Secretaries: *Karmali Bhanji, Concord Academy, Office of College Advising, 166 Main St., Concord, MA 01742; Brian Bank, 19 Ward St., #8, Seattle, WA 98109; and Sara Bremner, 225 E. 95th St., #21G, New York, NY 10128.*

In Canada, **Karen Harper** recently completed a M.Sc. degree in geography at the Univ. of Alberta. "I am planning to stay in Edmonton (where I hope to find work soon!) while I decide when and where to pursue a Ph.D." ■ **Haig Demarjian** is teaching middle school art in Rockport, MA. ■ **Juliet Dulles** has finished two years of an international relations M.A. at Johns Hopkins SAIS. ■ **Emily Stowe Cleaveland** is a research microbiologist with the National Cancer Institute. Husband Tom is a software programmer/analyst for the Administrative Office of U.S. Courts. ■ **Monica Cable** writes: "Well, I finally did it—I gave the corporate world the heave-ho and am now working for an Adventure Travel Company that specializes in trekking and hiking tours in the Himalayas and all over the world. I'm poor, but happy. Anybody interested in going to Nepal? Let me know! How about holding our fifth reunion in Kathmandu!" ■ **Shireen Tabechian** and **Marybeth Dingledy** are finishing law school at William and Mary. Shireen plans to be in Burlington; Marbeth has her sights on Seattle. ■ **Brianna Becker** also graduated from law school and now works for an international tax firm in L.A. ■ **Bill Driscoll**, who is director of the Boston office of Accountemps, has been named one of the company's top five producers worldwide for 1994. Accountemps is the world's leading temporary placement service for the fields of accounting, finance, and information services. ■ **Ian Bolden** has been appointed sales rep for the north Jersey district of Janssen Pharmaceutica. Ian was formerly with R.R. Bowker in New Providence, NJ. ■ **Tony Tedesco** has moved to Honolulu to write his second book/stay warm. New on the market (May 1996, Zebra Books), his first book is a practical guide to life after college, combining expert tips with humorous slices of his post-college life. ■ **Paul Wilcox**, who lives in Brooklyn, is working for Condé Nast in NYC. ■ After receiving her M.D. from SUNY at Stony Brook in May, **Grace Garcia Lessing** is doing an internship in medicine and then her residency in ophthalmology in NYC in 1996. ■ **Paul Testa** got his law degree from Boston College this spring. ■ In Ann Arbor, MI, **Kathy Pryor** is pursuing her master's/Ph.D. in math. In her spare time, she visits her old romping ground in CO for a few days of skiing. ■ In Burlington, VT, **Marc Bujold** is in the snowboarding division at Rossignol. Jill Herbster Bujold '90 is over at Nordica USA in Williston. They were married in Mead Chapel on June 18, 1994. ■ Also in Burlington, **David** and **Christina Swenson O'Hara** announce the birth of their second child, son Michael Joseph, on December 15, 1994. He joins sister Anastasia Joy (born March 24, 1993). Dave and Christina are teaching English in Poland this summer. ■ **Katharine Manning** and James Frazier '86 were married on the shores of Lake Champlain on August 20, 1994. Kitty and Jim live in Hinesburg, VT. ■ **Scott** and **Lynn Holley Krugman** were married in June 1993. During his four years at Dartmouth Medical School, Scott won the Ciba-Geigy Community Service Award, was named the Rolf Syvertsen Fellow for academic achievement and community involvement, and was nominated into the medical honor society. He worked with Cheri Mather '87 to develop community service projects for medical students. He did family practice in Miami, where he spoke Spanish daily while taking care of indigent patients, and is now doing a three-year residency at Johns Hopkins, headed toward pediatrics. ❖ *WEDDING PHOTOS:* Gathering on September 10, 1994, for the marriage of **Barbara Castle** and Bob Clark '89 were **Jen Douglas, Tracy Tobin**, Karen Gnuse '92, Robbie Pedersen '92, **Bill Tobin**, Peter Hixson '71, **Jed Duncan**, Jane Goldstein '90, **Margi Sheehan Arquit, Christine Munion, Holly Fryberger**, Ellen Lemaitre '90, Karen Griffith '90, Hugh Marlow '57, Tim '89 and Kathleen Murphy O'Shea '90. ■ **Frances Keleher** and **John Braun** were married on July 16, 1994, and a good time was had by **Whitney Todd, Susie Leness, Amanda Botts, Allison Ross, Claudia Cooper, Sloane Stephens, Katie Long, Cassie Robbins**, Nicholas Tcherepnin '92, **John Climaco**, and Chris Awtrey '90. Cricket recently completed her M.S. in environmental studies and is doing research and rehab work with birds of prey at the Raptor Center at the Univ. of MN. ■ **Jennifer Poinier** and Bryan Ballinger were married on October 22, 1994. Midd friends present included Leigh Ann Wolfe '93, **Tat So, Karen Harper, Mary Castner, Lynn Ellis**, and the bride's sister, Sara Poinier '88. ■ The Midd crowd in St. Johnsbury last August to celebrate the marriage of **Emily Stowe** and Thomas Cleaveland: David Leathers '77, Dick '75 and Debbie Adams Leavitt '77, Greg and Susan Carpenter Vigne '83, **Barry Gilmore, Dave** and **Christina Swenson O'Hara**, David Wimmer and **Krystal Sewell, Nancy McKee Osborne**, Maureen Kelly '92, and **Mary Castner**. ■ Wellwishers in Potomac, MD, for the June 18, 1994, marriage of Anne Hawley and **Nando Zucchi** included **Tom Humphreys**, Bill Heslam '92, Adam Greenberger '93, **Greg Mandak, Drew Smith**, Pat Dorten '90, **Andy Smith, Duncan Evans, Bob Hinkle, John Doyle, Brian Bank, Rich Heald**, Rob Gray '90, **Marc Parsons, Louise Totten, Sue Resnicoff**, and Meghan Schwartz '92.

1992

Class Secretaries: *Leslie L. Cone, 7 Washington St., Middlebury, VT 05753 (*LCone@Middlebury.edu*); and Viraj M. Mirani, 538 N. Monroe St., Arlington, VA 22201.*

Matt Thompson (Private Bag 0045, Gaborone, Botswana, Africa) is teaching history at the Maru a Pula School. His U.S. address is 20 Ironwood Road, W. Hartford, CT 06117. ■ **Rob Reis** left L.A. to work at *Velo Magazine* in Boulder, CO. ■ **Matt Pauley** returned to L.A. for business school at UCLA. Matt invites Rose Bowl visitors to come tailgate! ■ **Bruce Bender** left San Francisco to live in the desert of AZ in an architectural commune, where he is brewing beer to fill the masses. ■ **Will Kiester** decided to see if he could grow his hair all the way to the moon (probably seven inches high right now), and is working for a publishing company in the East Bay. ■ **Peter Harris** (prrsf@ccnet.com), who traveled to China in June for business, is playing in volleyball tournaments. ■ Living in San Francisco, **Mark Ely** is, of course, working in the cutting edge of music electronics; **Dennis Schaicher** released a CD this spring—look for it in music stores! ■ With five other people and 40 teenagers, **Kelly Watson** is leading a month-long summer adventure trip to WY, UT, MT, and CO, for hiking, rafting, rock climbing, and camping. ■ **Hilary Miller** and **Jules Reinhart** are attending Monterey Language Institute this summer, studying Spanish and French, respectively. Jules is heading to Paris for an internship in the fall. ■ **Bruce Silverman** (brucie@dolphin.upenn.edu) finished his third year at UPenn Vet School. One more year! ■ **Jordan Lief** has set off across the ocean to France to seek his fortune. ■ **Dave Freeland** ran in the Boston marathon and frequently rollerblades late into the night. ■ **Dave Weld** just returned from South Africa. ■ **Mike Summersgill** (summersg@hulaw1.harvard.edu) suffered through exams this spring and headed to DC for the summer. ■ Among those making the road trip to Midd for KDR's Pig Roast were **Bill Rodgers**, **Christina Bethke**, **J.J. Gilmartin**, **Luke Wennick**, **Christine Roberts**, **Wompas**, **Patty Garfer**, **Brian Good**, **Mike Benjamin**, and **Chris Lee**, plus Chris Brown '93 straight from Korea—for the road is never too long to eat pig! ■ **Alicia Mathewson**, named as one of the songwriters of the year at the Southern FL Folk Festival, played at Heritage Days in Scituate to a spellbound audience. ■ **Emma Lowen** is working at RBC Dominion Securities as an analyst in the mergers and acquisitions dept. in Toronto. ■ **Rebecca Clark** is running a pit stop for Midd alums at 4915 Twin Lakes Rd. #22, Boulder, CO 80301. ■ **Buddy Heller** found a job working for an export firm in White Plains, NY. His work phone is 914/697-9800, ext. 29. ■ **Bill Tice** returned to NYC from a short stint with DLJ in London. ■ **Campbell Barrett** is an account executive on the Miller Genuine Draft account at Bates USA. ■ **Ben Niles** is living the good life in CA, spending his days snorkeling for shells to sell at the seashore in an internationally acclaimed emporium, Shell World. ■ **James Christian**'s modeling career is really taking off! No more Chia Pet and Ovaltine commercials. In May he was chosen to star in the new Nordic Flex Gold commercial, appearing on national television this summer! ■ **Chip Muir** is learning to fly helicopters for the Navy in CA, after finding his previous assignment too slow for his speedy lifestyle! If all goes according to plan with the Navy, he'll be stationed in VA this fall. ■ In Cornwall, VT, neighboring cattle have convinced **Hieu Nguyen** that a life of farming in VT would be the perfect culmination of a three-year career at Midd! ■ **Drew Meyers** lives and works in the Burlington area. **John Swanson** and **Eric Mendelsohn** were up visiting him this spring for a dose of VT. Eric is off to Wharton this fall searching for his MBA, while **Brian Huff** is reportedly returning to school as well. ■ **Ben Faucett** has adapted to the NYC lifestyle, working at J.P. Morgan and single-handedly solving numerous crises in Latin American economies. ■ Living in Silverthorne, CO, **Ted Leach** and **Corky Mather** are rehearsing to be stand-ins on CBS's "Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman." They recently spent six months "down under" in Australia and New Zealand, backpacking, taking bus tours with senior citizens, and being mugged (well, at least Ted was). ■ **Eric Dorf** spent most of the winter being a ski bum in Chamonix, France. He was heading down to Bolivia this summer. ■ **Chuck Buck**, formerly of Jackson Hole, is now working for the Senate Finance Committee and living in DC with **Bryn Neubert**. ■ **John Logan** spent the May 12 weekend at **Gavin Symes** and **Denise Getty**'s wedding in Boston. ■ **Tom Armbrecht** is finishing his third year in a French language/literature Ph.D. program at Brown Univ. ■ **Felix Paulick** and **Cynthia Gabriel** are spending the summer in Berkeley, CA. Felix starts business school at the Univ. of MI in the fall. ■ **Eva Martin** is in graduate school at UC, Santa Barbara. ■ **Corey Chase** is working for the Univ. of AK on the earthquake-shaken Russian island of Sakhalin. Are you okay, Corey? ■ After two years in a Russian field office, **Rebecca Fair** is working at the International Finance Corp. headquarters in DC, but she still gets to travel frequently to the former Soviet Union. ■ **Annie Rimoin** is in OK. ■ **Kate Cote** has been accepted to the doctoral program in American history at William and Mary. ■ **Sara Garcia** is returning to the contiguous 48 states. ■ **Kingman Gordon** works at Ammirati and Puris/Lintas on the Compaq Computer account. His boss is John Myers '89. Until recently, both Phoebe Wood '90 and **Maria Vrachnos** made up a third of the account team! Kingman lives with **Charlie Watson** and **Tristram Perkins**. Charlie continues to work in private banking for Chemical; Tristram maintains a rigorous schedule as a corporate finance analyst at Alex Brown & Sons. ■ **Tom Kovach** contemplates a job with the U.S. Postal Service. ■ **Jen McPhee** is believed to be with Arthur Andersen. ■ **Cathy Lee** is attending graduate school at Columbia's School of Int'l Affairs. ■ Belated congratulations to **James** and **Jennie Bliss Meyer**, who were married on July 3, 1994, in Rockport, MA. They traveled to the Greek Islands, Italy, and Switzerland, before returning to live in Cambridge. ■ Sean and **Jen Crabbe Fuller** were married April 24, 1994, in Sandwich, MA, with Remi Bayna '93 as maid of honor. Jen is the Southeast Asian economist for DRI in Lexington, MA. ■ **Stephanie Guay** married Eric Thirolle on July 23, 1994. They are both environmental science graduate students at Duke. ■ **Haig Demarjian** had his very own art show last November and December at the Armenian Library and Museum of America in Watertown, MA. ■ **Andy Aube** can be reached at A_AUBE @smcvax.smcvt.edu. ■ **Piper Lounsbury** has a new job as an associate at the U.S. China Business Council, advising companies, as well as setting up and maintaining joint ventures in China. ■ Faithful scribe **V** has finished his M.A. in international affairs from George Washington University! ❖ ***WEDDING PHOTOS:*** The November 1993 marriage of **Dvera Hadden** and Curtis B. Ford Jr. (M.A. Russian '91) brought together **Stephanie Guay, Ryan Tranquilla, Mila Pavek**, and **John Ervin**. ■ The Midd crowd celebrating on September 20, 1994, with **Eileen Marvin** and **John Hosbein** included Barbara Marvin '87, **Megan Richardson**, Rodrigo Prudencio '91, David Hosbein '83, **Sara Weale, Alicia Mathewson, Elizabeth Bell**, Mark '76 and Jodi Marvin Ceglarski '77, **Nathan Simms**, David Sequeira '94, Steve Pozatek '95, Mark Harris '91, and Andereya Makuku '93.

Elizabeth Gold '94 and Dane Sobek '93 (see 1993 column)

1993

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We are pleased to welcome our new West Coast correspondent, **Anne Harris**. Anne attends alumni events in the Palo Alto, CA, area and has served as an alumni interviewer for the last two years. ■ **Sarah Matchett** and Michael Hunn '94 were married on June 18, 1994, in CO. Their present address is Flat 1 Wescott

House, Jesus Lane, Cambridge, England, CB5 8BP UK. ■ **David Barclay** is living in Boulder, CO, with **Seth Cobb**. David is working in the computer industry and learning to Telemark ski. ■ **Jamey Brenner** can be seen running around Boston while working for Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. Jamey is living with **Brad Williams** and Paul Hughes '94. ■ **Edward Lovett** writes: "After a mind-expanding, six-month solo journey from Southeast Asia (Thailand, Cambodia, Vietnam, Indonesia) to India and Nepal, I came back to San Francisco. I am working for a management consulting firm until music pays the bills. I'm starting an acoustic duo with Bill O'Bryon '94 and see Bay Area Middlebury people often. ■ **John S. Atherton** is an assistant soccer/lacrosse coach at Trinity College. ■ **Josh Pepin** e-mails, "Having finished a 16-month term as volunteer coordinator for a refugee resettlement program in Raleigh, I will be a delegate on a humanitarian trip to the Central Highlands of Vietnam this summer. This fall I have accepted a departmental fellowship at Duke's Sanford Institute of Policy Analysis, where I plan to focus on public/nonprofit management." ■ A FL mini-reunion in late April brought together Caroline Leary '92, Whitney Williams '94, Sarah Raunecker '92, **Sladja Kovijanic**, Erica Moody '92, Carrie Harasimowicz '92, and **Sarah Fryberger**. Tom Lawson and Bill Beaney, who were in FL for a hockey coaches conference, were surprised to run into all these Middlebury women basketball players. ❖ *WEDDING PHOTOS:* **Amy Heebner** and Patrick Holloway were married on June 4, 1994, in Carversville, PA. Celebrating with them were Jordana Shaw '92, **Mona McClain**, Carolyn Ashby '94, Kristyn Mills '91, Timothy Castner '94, Allison Smith '94, Graham Van Keuren '94, Shawn Hansen '90, **Bryan Clenahan**, Anne Holloway '98, **David Upham**, Erin O'Callaghan '94, Peter Buonfiglio '91, and father of the bride Richard Heebner '59. *(Please see photograph on page 69 of the spring issue. We apologize for our error in separating the caption from the photograph.)* ■ When Elizabeth Gold '94 and **Dane Sobek** were married on August 20, 1994, the swimmers, divers, and other Midd friends who assembled in West Cornwall, CT, to celebrate included asst. swim coach James Avery (with Leigh and Mike), Steve Cox '92, Ann LaFiandra, Deke George '94, **John Erickson**, Corey Davis '91, **Todd Lambert**, Brian Schilling '92, Theo Dolan '94, **Meghan Honan**, head swim coach Mary Ellen Claffey, Jeff Sprigman '64, Laura Eckert '94, Brian Good '92, Dana Maisel '94, **Benjamin Small, C.J. Sprigman**, Wright Frank '95, Erik Roth '94, Marcus Harwood '94, Jesse Cunningham '95, Paul Bavier '94, Jeff Herriott '94, Andrew Roebuck '96, **Stephanie Gottlieb, Nancy Zagami**, Patty Zagami '95, Kristy Bender '94, mother of the bride Barbara Morgan Gold (Bread Loaf '69), Kelly Kryc '94, Kathy Kaess '94, Peggy Kline '94, Kip Kirkpatrick '94, **Kathleen McGillicuddy, Jen Parry**, Inger Lund '95, Marlena Faxon '92, Peter O'Hara '94, Mark Schade '95, Mollie Knox '95, and Megan Smith '95.

1994

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In Boston, **Chris Butler** is working at the Four Seasons; **Gabe Nathanson** has been working for Dove Associates (consulting); and **Jamie Donovan** (a bio lab technician at Harvard) has been seen in the company of **Jon Floyd** and **Brett Leland**. ■ **Ben Connell**, who's now in Boston, sailed south to the Caribbean last winter as a deck hand on a schooner. ■ Recently seen at a gathering at Martell's on 83rd and Third in NYC were **Brandon Gill, Trista Voss, Ed Soh, Kristen Roeder, Mike Cohen, Alex Mackintosh**, and **Pete Aspbury**. Also in NYC, **Mary Strife** is teaching kindergarten; **Dan Coyne** is a financial analyst at Donaldson, Lufkin, Jenrette; **Matt Whitcomb** is a financial analyst at Bankers Trust; and **Ed Soh** is a financial analyst with Meredith, Martin and Kay. ■ **Derek Lounsberry**, who lives in NYC, has been traveling to Puerto Rico with Deloitte & Touche. ■ The word is that **Pete Szekely** has emigrated for good, and is living in the Big Apple. ■ **Steve Reale** spent the spring after February graduation in Salzburg working for the Salzburg Seminar. Upon his return, he's going to work for J.P. Morgan in NYC. ■ **Karen Bowden** has put her experiences with the Salzburg Seminar to good use, organizing international conferences and seminars for Meridian International Center in DC. ■ **Marc Pina** has a two-year internship with the Washington Convention Center in DC. "My program covers all aspects of the convention and hospitality industry. I recently hung out with Allison Gray '93 and Serena Maurer '93 here in Washington." ■ **Rob Schlesinger** returned to DC in the spring, after working at the American embassy in Dublin for a few months. Also in DC, **Paul Bavier** is at Kaiser Associates, **Delbert Chew** is with the Advisory Board (consulting), **Tim Bernard** (in environmental consulting) works across the street from **Nick Nebolsine**, and **Rebecca Eisele** is a research assistant for Washington International Energy Group. ■ The National Democratic Institute for International Affairs recently sent **Joanna Schemm** (of DC) off to the former Soviet Union to help promote democratic elections. ■ **Kennan Radebaugh** has been appointed an intern in the biology department at the Culver Academies in IN. ■ **W. Clay Rohrer** has become a full-time starving artist in Chicago, while **Hardy Merrill** has gone into hiding in the hills of VT. ■ **Brian Schaefer** has moved to Atlanta, GA. ■ **Warren Reid** has been selected as the DeWitt Wallace-Readers' Digest Fund Fellow at the Pomfret School in CT. He's teaching in the history department, as well as doing some coaching. ■ **Greg Boosin** is at American Management Systems, an information consulting firm. ■ **Sandy Durst** is choosing between law school or a master's in education. ■ **Julia Harris** was leading hiking trips in CO last summer. ■ **Amy Coply** and **Emily Guth** were touring Southeast Asia for a few months. ■ **Kate Dale** was headed to Europe in June to travel. ■ **Stacy Metcalf** is teaching English and coaching field hockey at Brewster Academy in NH. ■ **Lori Frohlich** and **Britt Newsome** are attending graduate programs in hospital administration at the Univ. of MI, Ann Arbor. ■ **Mike Hainen** is studying law at Vanderbilt. ■ **Chris Drury** is working for Pizzaria Uno in his hometown. ■ **Chris Delorie** is an emergency medical technician in NH. ■ **Todd Shafer** is working as an assistant for his father, who's a CPA. ■ **Amy Geffken** is doing chemical/biological research. ■ **Vanessa Christenberry, Dana Maisel**, and **Laura Cowperthwait** are working in Jackson Hole, WY. ■ **Steve Pettibone** has been looking for a job in consulting. ■ **Shawn Phillips** is working for Smith Ski Optics in Sun Valley, ID. ■ **Chris Blundin** and **John Roach** went to Chile for two years. ■ **Christine Waasdorp** is doing research, but has her sights set on medical school. ■ **Matt Bingham** is working in New Zealand. ■ **Josh Scherer** is a financial analyst for Merrill Lynch. ■ **Katherine Hardin** and **Neall Currie** are in Indianapolis, where Neall is producing sports for the local CBS affiliate, while Katherine attends IN Univ./Purdue Univ. on a fellowship in the history department. ■ Katherine and Neall caught up with **Adam Gilden** and **Jen Waaler** to catch a Pacers game. Adam is attending UPenn Medical School; Jen is attending Northern IL Univ. Law School. ■ **Schdell Marquez** is living in the Bronx, working for a computer school. ■ **Scott Riccio** is finishing up MAT at Kent Univ. in OH. ■ **Cindy Coe** is working for the Head Start clinic in Bennington, VT, and will be going to grad school in the fall. ■ **Brady Clough** is teaching English in a school outside of Prague, Czech Republic. ■ **Webb Burns** has been "taking care of business"—touring job sites all over Las Vegas for his consulting firm. Webb doesn't seem to mind the garish city, saying that anything is better than living north of the Mason-Dixon line. ■ **Ben Curtis** got a fellowship from the Univ. of Chicago to begin work on a doctorate in political science this fall. ■ **Teresa Cooper** is teaching eighth grade in New Orleans. ■ **Trista Voss** is working for a public relations firm, not an advertising agency as we mistakenly claimed before. ■ **Hylah Wells** moved to Breckenridge, CO. She's a full-time patroller at Copper Mountain Ski Area, 80 miles west of Denver. ■ Also continuing his commitment to skiing is die-master **Chris Kemple**, who recently took time off from work at the Salzburg Seminar in Austria to teach skiing in Kitzbühel. ■ Mash Alexander is working for Americorps as a trail crew leader in the White Mountain National Forest in NH. ■ In CA, **John** "Juan Bravo" **Barrett** has reputedly had three job offers, but has his heart set on growing potatoes on a small parcel of land in South America. ■ **Erik Roth** is working for Marketing Corp. of America in Westport, CT. ■ **Laura Eckert** plans to attend VT Law School in the fall. ■ **Jason Stull**, who has been working at an internship in Philly, traveled in Spain this May. ■ **Mike Levin** couldn't wait to get out of New York (after four years of claims that he couldn't wait to get back

to it). He's working as a summer associate at a firm in Middlebury, where he's renting a house on Chipman Hill. ■ Barrett and **Malgorzata Gnoinska-Heusch** were married on January 6, 1995, in Chicago, and they left for Japan in May. ■ **Bruce Bernzweig** is working at FullTerm International Development Co., Ltd., a venture capital and consulting company in Taipei, Taiwan. ■ Also in Taipei, **Martha Rhode** started an internship with an investment company last December and hoped to explore job opportunities in other parts of Asia this spring.

THE SCHOOLS

ENGLISH

Elena Brandt (M.A. '81) married John W.C. Cole in August 1994, and they are living in South Portland, ME. Elena is a fundraiser, most recently with the Waynflete School in Portland and the Hurricane Island Outward Bound School in Rockland. She has also developed creative writing workshops for children and young adults in conjunction with museum exhibitions. This summer she is directing a creative writing workshop for the Farnsworth Museum's Andrew Wyeth show in Rockland, ME. ■ **Samuel A. Intrator** (M.A. '94) of Waterbury, VT, is one of 45 individuals selected by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation for Group XIV of its Kellogg National Fellowship Program. ■ VT Secretary of State James Milne has named **John Howland, Jr.,** (M.A. '81, BLWC '76, '78) as his deputy. ■ **Robert B. Palmer** (M.A. '65) of NYC has begun his seventh season as a U.S. escort officer for the Department of State. Last winter, he spent nine weeks in Nepal, Thailand, and Vietnam. While at Dalat Univ. in the Central Highlands of Vietnam, he spoke to an English language class taught by an American. He reports that more such American teachers are needed in Vietnam. ■ **Thomas Andrew** (M.A. '84) has received a National Endowment for the Humanities Teacher-Scholar Award. For a year of independent study, his topic is "William Wordsworth and Henry David Thoreau: Landscape and Literature." ■ **Herbert W. Martin** (M.Litt. '72), prof. and poet in residence at the Univ. of Dayton (OH), wrote the libretto for a one-act opera on African American poet Paul Laurence Dunbar. ■ **Wesley McNair** (M.A. '68, M.Litt. '75) has been awarded first prize by *Yankee* magazine for the best poem published by the magazine in 1994. His recently released volume of poems, *My Brother Running*, has been nominated for the Daniel A. Pollock Prize for the best 1994 book discussed in *Harvard Review*. ■ A new book by **David Wilson** (M.A. '86), *Attempting Change*, draws in part on his experience at Bread Loaf. Now teaching at the Univ. of NE, Lincoln, his e-mail is dwilson@unlinfo.unl.edu. ■ **Monica Weis** SSJ (M.A. '73), prof. of English at Nazareth College in Rochester, NY, has been named the college's liaison for liberal studies and professional programs. She is also VP of the International Thomas Merton Society.

FRENCH

Klara S. Welsh (D.M.L. '73) was a delegate representing Middlebury College at the April 21 inauguration of President Larry D. Shinn at Berea College in Berea, KY. ■ For her professional training, scholarly qualifications, and interest in teaching, **Mary Ann O'Neil** (M.A. '68) has been named a Paul Garrett Fellow at Whitman College in Walla Walla, WA. ■ **Joseph G. Reish** (M.A. '67), dean of Western MI Univ.'s Lee Honors College, has been made a "chevalier" or knight in the Order of Academic Palms by the French Ministry of Education for his work in promoting French language and culture. ■ **Hilary Sachs** (M.A. '78) is in her second year as an asst. prof. of French and linguistics at Columbia Univ. Married to Matthew Kunkin in December 1993, she lives near Philadelphia and would love to hear from old friends at 212/666-5808 or e-mail hgs6@columbia.edu. ■ Navy Lt. Cmdr. **Julie A. Kendall** (M.A. '88) recently received her second Navy Commendation Medal and was promoted to her present rank while serving at Naval Station, Long Beach, CA.

GERMAN

Violeta Matulevicius Kavaliauskas (M.A. '66) has been named to the third edition of *Who's Who Among American Teachers*. She has been teaching German in Ridgefield, CT, for 25 years.

SPANISH

Alice Edwards (M.A. '88) has been promoted to associate prof. of Spanish and granted tenure at Maryhurst College in Erie, PA. Her first child, Maia Elizabeth Edwards-Borowicz, was born on January 23, 1995.

OBITUARIES

1919

RUTH E. CLARK, 94, of Shelburne, VT, on January 5, 1992. She worked in the insurance business for 40 years, retiring in 1960. Her father owned the Walter A. Clark Insurance Agency in Rutland, VT, where she was associated for many years.

DOROTHY HUTCHINSON McCABE, 97, of Concord, NH, on March 8, 1995. She earned an M.A. from Radcliffe in 1921, married John F. McCabe in 1926, and enjoyed a long career as a college biology teacher.

1920

JOAN BEGIEBING KLENCK, 99, of Bridgewater, NJ, on April 26, 1994. She was predeceased by her husband, John W. Klenck. She is survived by daughters Marguerite Lovejoy, Dorothy Scott, and Roberta Klenck. She enjoyed her 70th Reunion at Middlebury in 1990.

EDITH JANE BEST SMITH, 93, of San Jose, CA, on December 16, 1993. After teaching school in VT and MA, she was married to Farquhar W. Smith in 1930; he predeceased her. Survivors include a daughter, Jane Smith Brekke '57.

1922

LILA WINCHESTER DOE, 93, of Kennebunkport, ME, on October 13, 1994. Mrs. Doe taught high school Latin, English, and biology in Johnstown, NY; S. Orange, NJ; and in Franklin, MA, where she lived until she and her husband retired to Kennebunkport in 1971. Predeceased by husband Kenneth P. Doe '25, sister Ada Winchester Chromec '26, brother-in-law Frank A. Chromec '30, and brother-in-law Donald B. Doe '25, she is survived by her daughter, Linda Burford, two grandchildren, and a great-grandson.

1923

MADELENE FLETCHER YATES, 91, of West Palm Beach, FL, on October 4, 1993. Her husband of 60 years, Durward S. Yates '22, died in 1986. She is survived by daughters Jane Yates Mochi '51 and Susan Yates Johnston '60, son David H. Yates, nine grandchildren (including Susan Mochi Hecklau '79), and eight great-grandchildren.

1924

C. STOWELL CARROLL, 92, of Troy, NY, on February 23, 1995. In Troy, Mr. Carroll was associated with the former Stowell Printing Co., the former Copeland Travel Agency, and the former Marvin Wall Paper Co. He was a historical scholar of the Champlain Valley area. Predeceased by his wife, Iva Blose Carroll, he is survived by daughter Janet Carroll Foster, son Phil Carroll, a brother, and six grandchildren.

KATHLEEN F. KIRBY, 92, of Worcester, MA, on April 10, 1995. With a master's from Boston Univ. (1957), Miss Kirby worked with hearing-impaired children as a speech and language pathologist.

RUTH EDDY PRATT, 92, of Potsdam, NY, on April 23, 1995. A native of Middlebury, VT, Mrs. Pratt was a teacher at several schools in New York State. She married Russell J. Pratt '24 in 1925 and he died in 1960. Survivors include a son, Robert; a daughter, Dorothy Cole; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. Several other relatives graduated from Middlebury, including her father, the late Arthur W. Eddy '04.

REGINALD M. SAVAGE, 94, of Nashua, NH, on December 23, 1993. He entered Middlebury after service in the Navy in World War I. He was in the insurance business and then worked in Naval Intelligence from the time of World War II until his retirement as a captain in 1960. His wife of 65 years, Dorothy Taylor Savage '24, died in 1992. Survivors include sons Donald and Robert, and two grandchildren, as well as a nephew, Robert S. Bigelow '51.

1926

HAZEL HUGHES MOORE, 91, of Shrewsbury, MA, on December 13, 1994. She was a teacher in Brimfield, MA, prior to her marriage to Wilbert T. Moore, who died in 1974. She leaves a son, Wilbert T. Moore, Jr., three grandsons, and three great-grandchildren.

ELIZABETH GOODALE MURRAY, 91, of Perkinsville, VT, on April 9, 1995. Mrs. Murray served as Weathersfield town clerk from 1949 to 1972, and reported for the *Springfield Reporter*, the *Eagle Times*, and the *Rutland Herald*. A resident of Perkinsville since 1942, she was a member of the VT Council of Town Clerks and the New England Council. Her husband, Charles Murray, predeceased her in 1979. Survivors include son Bruce Murray; sister Barbara A.

Murray; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

ROGER W. SCOTT, 92, of Chester Hill, MA, on December 5, 1994. With a Master of Science degree in chemistry (Middlebury, 1926), Mr. Scott was a chemist specializing in fire chemicals for Union Carbide & Carbon Corp. in South Charleston, WV, retiring in 1948. An Army veteran of World War II, he also taught biochemistry at Hampden College of Pharmacy. He leaves his wife of 62 years, Helen (Lauk), sons Oliver B. Scott and Loren A. Scott, daughters Amy Record and Sister Emily Louise of the Sisters of St. Mary in NYC, three grandchildren, and a great-grandchild.

1929

ROBERT F.W. MEADER, 86, of New Lebanon, NY, on October 24, 1994. Mr. Meader received his M.A. from the Univ. of PA (1931) and taught Latin and English for 25 years before taking charge of the Shaker Museum in 1959. He was involved for more than 35 years in the study of Shaker history and scholarship, serving for 17 years as director of the world's oldest Shaker museum in Old Chatham and for 13 years as librarian at Hancock Shaker Village in Pittsfield, MA. He also published books, guides, and articles. Mr. Meader is survived by his companion, Robert Austin, and two cousins.

1930

GROSVENOR M. CROOKS, 89, of Concord, NH, on February 23, 1994. He had resided at Havenwood in Concord for the last 20 years. He is survived by a brother, Robert G. Crooks '44; a nephew; and two nieces.

ANNA S. BOARDMAN DUNHAM, 86, of Pittsfield, MA, on November 11, 1994. She was an engineering assistant at Knolls Atomic Lab with General Electric in Schenectady, NY, retiring in 1973. Predeceased by her husband, Gordon H. Dunham, she leaves son Gordon P. Dunham, daughters Elizabeth Stone and Helen Bauer, four sisters, a brother, 10 grandchildren, and 14 great-grandchildren. Middlebury relatives included the late Agnes Boardman Kirby '01 (a cousin) and the late Mabel Boardman Adams '08 (an aunt).

ELIZABETH C. NORMAN, 86, of Lititz, PA, on March 30, 1995. Miss Norman served in various capacities in educational institutions in New York City and PA, retiring in 1974 as a research assistant at Franklin and Marshall College. She was the last of her immediate family.

LAURENCE H. WILSON, 86, of Hartford, CT, on February 16, 1995. Until his retirement in 1967, Mr. Wilson taught biology at Wethersfield High School, where he also devoted his spare time to the staging of theatrical productions by the students. He was a charter member of the Wethersfield Players. Besides his wife, Eleanor (Morse), he is survived by sons Donald L. Wilson and W. Edward Wilson, and three grandchildren.

1931

MARY EVANS THORNHILL, 84, of Palo Alto, CA, on February 3, 1995. After six years of French teaching in VT and ME, she moved to France to teach, study, and travel. Following her marriage to chemical engineer Fred Thornhill in 1940, she taught French for 25 years, earned her M.A. in Romance languages (Western Reserve, 1954), and lived in France, Germany, and the U.S. She is survived by her husband and daughter Lois Thornhill McCluskey '66.

1932

JOHN R. FALBY, 85, of Shelburne, VT, on December 27, 1994. Mr. Falby retired as a vice president of the Concord (NH) General Mutual Insurance Company at age 60. Predeceased by his wife, Virginia (Littlefield) in 1991, he is survived by sons J. Roderick Falby, Jr., '61 and James, daughter Judy Falby Tuttle '60, a sister, and 11 grandchildren.

1933

MILTON J. WOODING, 83, of Plantsville, CT, on April 5, 1995. Mr. Wooding was with the former Peck, Stowe and Wilcox Co. for 35 years, retiring as production manager. He then became the first executive director and curator of the Barnes Museum of Southington for 14 years, retiring in 1987. He served the town of Southington in many capacities and was steeped in its history. Besides his wife of 58 years, Helen, he is survived by son Philip, a brother, and two grandsons.

1934

TRAVIS E. HARRIS, 82, of Lincoln, VT, on April 9, 1995, of heart disease. A World War II veteran, Mr. Harris held master's degrees from Columbia Teachers' College ('37) and Bread Loaf School of English ('52). During his 38-year career, he taught literature at VT Academy, Culver Military Academy in IN, Darien High School in CT, and Manhasset High School in NY. His vision of the world as a community without boundaries was demonstrated through his creation of award-winning, innovative exchange programs for Danish and Turkish students. A summer resident of Lincoln since 1974, his winter home was Myrtle Beach, SC, for 13 years. He is survived by his wife, Margaret Leach Harris '36; a sister, Agnes Harris Taylor '36; sons Richard Harris '61, Bradley Harris '63, and Stephen; daughter Virginia; five grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

ABRAM E. MANELL, 82, of Arlington, VA, on December 11, 1994, of pneumonia, following a stroke in October. With a Ph.D. in international law (Univ. of CA, Berkeley, '48), Dr. Manell became a Foreign Service officer, serving at posts in Europe, Asia, Africa, and Latin America, and was a consultant to the State Department after retirement in 1974. Among his generous contributions to Middlebury College was the establishment of the Eta Manell Scholarship Fund in honor of his mother. This fund has been renamed the Eta and Abram Manell Fund. A World War II Navy veteran, Dr. Manell is survived by a brother, Herbert Manell '49, nieces Karen Manell '83 and Roberta, nephew Herbert, and grandchild Tenzin.

1935

ANTHONY H. LANG, 89, of Rochester, NY, on January 29, 1994. Mr. Lang worked with the U.S. Postal Service for 30 years, retiring in 1972. His wife, Mary, predeceased him.

1936

DOROTHY SYMONDS SPENDLOVE, 80, of Bensalem, PA, on February 19, 1995. Mrs. Spendlove was active for many years in Girl Scout and library affairs and was an accomplished artist, specializing in stenciling and tole painting. She also sold and collected antiques. She leaves her husband of 58 years, Albert Spendlove '36, daughters Martha S. O'Connor and Katherine T. Salle, and two granddaughters.

1937

JEAN PORTER VASSAR, 79, of Lexington, SC, on February 4, 1995. Mrs. Vassar was a high school language teacher in Spencerport, NY, and in several schools in MA. Her husband, Edwin A. Vassar '37, died in 1987. Survivors include daughter Judy Rae and two granddaughters.

JANET GRAY WILLIS, 77, of Honolulu, HI, on June 26, 1993. Mrs. Willis was a real estate agent in Honolulu. Predeceased by her husband, H. Hugh Willis, and her sister, Dorothy Gray Jocelyn '35, Mrs. Willis is survived by a brother, John B. Gray '39; a brother-in-law, Douglas L. Jocelyn '34; a niece, Mary Jocelyn Stock '64; and nephews Douglas L. Jocelyn, Jr., '61 and Robert A. Jocelyn '70.

1938

PAUL GUARNACCIA, 79, of Fairfield, CT, on September 28, 1994. He was a teacher in Fairfield for many years and continued to study Spanish and teach adult education in his retirement. He is survived by wife Helene, sons Peter and Steven, and three grandchildren.

EMILY BARCLAY JACKSON, 77, of Chatham, NJ, on January 27, 1995. She was an accomplished athlete and met her husband, Russell, when she was the social director and ski instructor at The Inn, Buck Hill Falls, PA, where they later had a second home. Among her many community activities, she served 10 years as president of Reach, Inc., helping women reenter the workplace. Predeceased by her brother, Richard M. Barclay '40, she is survived by her husband of 48 years; sister Elizabeth Barclay Wales '46; daughters Doris Ann Jackson and Barclay Jackson; sons William R. "Woody" Jackson '70, Andrew M. Jackson '74, and Charles M. Jackson '74; as well as 10 grandchildren.

—Jim and Florence Hulme Miner, both '38

1940

DEBORAH BARDWELL GRESHAM, 76, of Aiken, SC, on March 30, 1995. An Aiken resident since 1952, Mrs. Gresham was a homemaker, a volunteer with the Aiken County Historical Museum and with the Aiken library, as well as being active in the garden club and St. Thaddeus Episcopal Church. Surviving are three sons, Thomas, William and Charles; a brother; a sister; and six grandchildren. Her mother, the late Wilma Cory Bardwell, graduated from Middlebury in 1913.

PATRICIA MAY TAYLOR, 75, of Kennebunkport, ME, formerly of Wilton, CT, on November 13, 1994, of emphysema. An educational consultant for the state of CT since 1964, Mrs. Taylor retired in 1987 as the coordinator for

deaf-blind services. For her contributions, she achieved the highest award in her field, the Anne Sullivan Award from the International Association of Educators of the Deaf-Blind at the Univ. of Poitiers. Predeceased in 1971 by her husband, Richard P. Taylor '37, she is survived by son Richard B. Taylor '67, twins Jeremy S. Taylor and Ann T. Gray, and seven grandchildren.

1941

ROBERT L. de VEER, 78, of Northfield, MA, on January 23, 1995. After receiving the Distinguished Navy Cross for service in World War II, Mr. de Veer was a member of the Million Dollar Roundtable of the Provident Mutual Life of Philadelphia. He was the first executive director of the Smithers Alcohol Rehabilitation Center of the Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in New York, and a director of Wynot Rehabilitation Center in Chetek, WI, retiring to Northfield in 1979. Besides his wife of 53 years, Elizabeth Heldman de Veer '39, he is survived by son Robert Jr., daughter Henrietta de Veer, and five grandchildren.

ALLEN A. DODGE, 76, of Newburyport, MA, on December 21, 1994. Mr. Dodge was New England sales manager for Erie Murata of Erie, PA, for 23 years, retiring in 1981. Survivors include wife Caroline Butts Dodge '41, son John M. Dodge, son David A. Dodge '69, daughter-in-law Magna Leffler Dodge '68, a brother, a sister, and two grandchildren.

ELAINE WADLUND HOUSE, 73, of Hyde Park, VT, on April 24, 1995. Topsy retired in 1978 as a professor of vo-tech education at Rutgers Univ., where she earned the first doctorate awarded in that program (1970). She was dedicated to the cause of equality for women in the workplace. She is survived by her husband of 53 years, Sumner Joseph House '41; daughters Patricia House, Elizabeth House McIlvain '70, and Stephanie H. Davis; two grandchildren; and a brother, Thom Wadlund.
—Lester W. Ingalls '41

1942

LOIS GRIMM DUSTIN, 73, of Juno Beach, FL, on October 15, 1994. She is survived by her husband of 52 years, John K. Dustin, sons William and Peter, daughter Deborah, and two grandchildren.

F. ALFRED PATTERSON, JR., 76, of Englewood, FL, and Salisbury, VT, on January 18, 1995. In Shoreham, VT, Mr. Patterson taught mathematics, operated a dairy farm, and owned an apple orchard for many years. He also owned and operated Sunset Lodge and Cottages on Lake Dunmore. Survivors include his wife, Luella, son Peter Patterson '84, daughter Lynn Hendry, stepson Harold Anderson, Jr., seven grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

ELAINE GEORGE SCHWARTZ, 73, of Boulder, CO, on February 10, 1995. She taught for 18 years at Mountain View Methodist Preschool and was a member of Univ. Lutheran Chapel. Survivors include husband Donald Schwartz; son Robert; daughter Elizabeth Ten Eyck Temple; brother Henry W. George '48; and three grandchildren.

1943

ALDOM H. SCOTT, 72, of Atlanta, GA, on January 18, 1994, during surgery for an aneurysm.

MARY RIXFORD SELCHOW, 72, of Bethel, CT, on November 24, 1994, after a long illness. She served as a WAVE in the Navy during World War II and was very active in the Episcopal Church in Greenwich, CT; West Bayshore, NY; and New York City. Predeceased by her husband, Richard P. Selchow, she is survived by daughter Mary Alice Selchow Proudfoot, brother Oscar T. Rixford, and four grandchildren.

1944

JEAN LEDDEN GORDON, 71, of Fairbanks, AK, on November 3, 1994. Mrs. Gordon worked in early childhood education for 26 years. She taught and directed Young Learners Preschool and developed a foreign language program for children called Young Linguists. She retired in 1984 but continued to teach French. She was preceded in death by daughter Margaret Ann, son Douglas Bruce, and two brothers. Survivors include her husband of 51 years, Bruce R. Gordon; daughter Linda Hjeljord; and three grandchildren.

PETER HOFF, 72, of Marquette, MI, on October 6, 1994. A foreign language studies professor with a specialty in Spanish and Latin American literature, Dr. Hoff taught at Northern MI Univ. from 1967 until his retirement in 1988. He is survived by wife Lydia, daughter Isabel Edgell, and two grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, Carl Hoff, in 1985.

1946

RUTH BLACK BECK, 69, of Ormond Beach, FL, on November 25, 1993.

1947

ROBERT J. BRINNING, 68, of Naples, FL, on November 23, 1993. Dr. Brinning was chief and director of surgery and chairman of the executive committee at Mountainside Hospital in Montclair, NJ, from 1976 to 1982. He served as attending surgeon at Mountainside from 1972 until his retirement in 1986, when he received the Essex County Physicians Merit Award. Survivors include his wife of 42 years, Marilyn (Hill).

ERIC O. BUNZEL, 68, of Plymouth, MN, on February 15, 1995, of cancer. Mr. Bunzel was a VP of C. Tennant Sons and Co. of New York City from 1963 until 1986, when the company was acquired by Cargill Ferrous International. From 1986 until his retirement in 1991, he served as president of Ferrous, a 21,000-employee company. He was a founder of the American Institute of Imported Steel, and a director of the American Institute for International Steel, West Coast Importers Assoc., and the Business Economics Educational Foundation of MN. He is survived by his wife, Laida (Horan), and a sister.

HOWARD V. YOUNG, JR., 74, of Hampton, VA, on September 17, 1994. Dr. Young (Ph.D., Brown Univ., 1958) was on the faculty at Hampton Univ., where he chaired the department of history and political science, and received the Lindbach Distinguished Teaching Award. He was a life-long railroad buff, traveling extensively throughout the world in search of remnants of classical steam railroads still in operation.

1948

ANNE GRIMSHAW KEMPERS, 67, of Waterville, ME, on January 19, 1995. A French teacher at Waterville High School from 1960 until 1987, she served in the Peace Corps from 1976 to 1978, teaching English in Zaire, Africa. She published several articles and a book about Franco-Americans and her travels. She was married to John Kempers from 1948 to 1973. She is survived by daughters Natasha Kempers-Cullen '71 and Margot B. Kempers, sons Peter J. Kempers '73 and David B. Kempers, a brother, and two granddaughters.

MARGARET MATULIS SYLVESTER, 68, of Broad Brook, CT, on December 8, 1994. During her 17 years at McGraw-Hill Publishing Co. in NYC, Mrs. Sylvester served as a writer, editor, researcher, and economist. She was a co-author of *New Forces in American Business* and the *McGraw-Hill Dictionary of Modern Economics*. She later prepared economic forecasts for Goldman Sachs and was a freelance economic consultant to *Fortune, Time*, and *Business Week* magazines, and at Northwestern Univ. and M.I.T. She retired in 1976 from Chemical Bank in NYC as an associate economist. Predeceased by her husband, Alvin Sylvester, she leaves two sisters, Rita M. Nadeau and Madeline M. Nadeau; a nephew; and two nieces.

1949

ROBERT W. HANDRAHAN, 73, of Birmingham, AL, on November 30, 1994, after a long illness. Mr. Handrahan was a retired food broker. He is survived by his wife, Pauline (Fisher); son Robert W. Handrahan, Jr.; daughter Pauline D. Handrahan; four brothers; and four sisters.

ELLEN TAUSSIG, 66, of Yucca Valley, CA, on December 3, 1994, of heart failure. Following her career in NYC as a magazine proofreader, editor, and managing editor, Miss Taussig moved to CA, where she worked in public relations for GTE for 30 years, retiring in 1986. She is survived by sister Damaris Taussig, and brothers Charles Taussig and George Taussig.

1951

J. DONALD MOCHI, 67, of West Palm Beach, FL, on December 21, 1994. A World War II veteran, Mr. Mochi was a manager for the Chemagro Corporation, a division of Mobay Chemicals in Latham, NY. He was also a past president of the NY State Horticultural Society. Survivors include his wife, Jane Yates Mochi '51; son David S. Mochi; daughter Susan Mochi Hecklau '79; sister-in-law Susan Yates Johnston '60; and three grandchildren.

1953

GLADYS TANNER MYERS, 63, of Estes Park, CO, on February 21, 1995, of cancer. Her art work included many different media, from watercolor, charcoal, and pencil, to stone lithography and monotypes. Her work was shown on a local and national level and received numerous awards. She is survived by her husband, Neil Myers '51; sons Daniel Myers and Russell Myers;

sister Gloria Tanner Assie '48; brother Ernest C. Tanner '52; sister-in-law Barbara Myers White '49; and two granddaughters.

1955
EDWIN K. MERRILL, JR., 62, of West Point, ME, on August 11, 1994. After serving in the Navy, Mr. Merrill worked in sales of aviation products for many years prior to becoming a realtor in MA, NH, and ME. Besides his mother, Helen P.S. Bush, he is survived by daughters H. Christine Merrill and Susan N. Merrill, a brother, and two sisters.

1956
E. ANNE BURDICK HERRINGSHAW, 59, of Ripton, VT, on December 21, 1994. With a master's in food and nutrition from Case Western Reserve (1958), Mrs. Herringshaw worked in several institutions as a dietitian. She was a lab analyst at Kraft in Middlebury and was most recently employed by the College in facilities management. Survivors include a daughter, Lee, and a son, John.

1958
GERALD T. LENZ, 58, of Portland, OR, on August 26, 1994, from a ruptured aneurysm. Mr. Lenz was associated with the paper industry for 33 years, with P.H. Glatfelter, Boise Cascade Corp., and as president of Celtic Paper. He coached youth hockey, baseball, and football in Glen Ellyn, IL, while his sons were young. He is survived by his wife of six years, Ivy; sons Brian '83, David, and Eric; a brother; and a granddaughter.

1960
ALEXANDER PERTZOFF, 56, of Northampton, MA, on February 4, 1995, of cancer. An avid naturalist and tree farmer, he was both a player and coach in the coed volleyball league of the Northampton Recreation Department. He was a board member of the Thunder Mountain School of Leverett and Charlemont. He leaves his partner, Merry L. Nasser, and her son; a son; two daughters; a sister; and a granddaughter.

1963
SAMUEL F. ORTH, 54, of Storrs, CT, on March 29, 1995, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident March 9. He had been teaching Russian language and Soviet literature at the Univ. of CT since 1976. He leaves his wife, Nancy M. Orth (Russian '65), and two sons, Adam Robert and Austin Ryan.

1967
MICHAEL R. SILVERMAN, 45, of Hackensack, NJ, on September 5, 1991, of a heart attack. With a master's degree from Columbia (1968) and a doctorate from NYU (1976), Mr. Silverman was employed as a college administrator. Following a heart attack in 1989, he returned to teaching at Bergen Community College in Paramus, NJ. He is survived by his mother, Esther Silverman, and his brother, Richard Silverman.

1971
ROBERT C. WHITNEY, 45, of Dennis, MA, on March 12, 1995, of cancer. With an M.B.A. from Amos Tuck Business School at Dartmouth (1973), Mr. Whitney worked for woodworking companies in ME and VT before co-founding K-D Wood Products of Harwich in 1979. Survivors include his wife, Kelly (Mooney); his mother, Joyce P. Nichols; two stepsons; a sister, Robin Reed; and a sister-in-law, Christine Mooney Lukesh '73.

1972
GREGORY B. SEDGWICK, 43, of Fairfield, CT, on February 27, 1994.

1991
DAVID T. ARCHIE, 28, of Des Moines, IA, on May 4, 1995, of heart failure. An accomplished musician, he was the bass player for the alternative band "Tasty Llama," which recently released its first compact disc. In 1993, Mr. Archie was named marketing director of *The Iowan* magazine, a quarterly magazine founded in 1952 by his father. He was also appointed vice chairman of Mid-America Publishing. He was an avid swimmer, skier, and polo player. He is survived by his parents, David E. and Joyce Archie, and a sister, Jeanette Archie.

LANGUAGE SCHOOLS OBITUARIES

1930
MIRA LOUISE DOLLEY, M.A. French, 97, of Raymond, ME, on December 8, 1994.

1933
IRENE L. KIRKEBY, M.A. French, 94, of Pittsfield, NH, on December 9, 1994.

1941
VICTOR M. HAUGHTON, Jr., M.A. French, in August 1994.

1949
H. ADAMS CARTER, M.A. Spanish, 80, of Milton, MA, on April 1, 1995. A world-class mountaineer, Dr. Carter taught languages at Milton Academy for over 30 years, retiring in 1979. He was a member of many expeditions making first ascents of mountains all over the world and competed as a member of the U.S. ski team at the world championships in 1937 and the Pan American championships in 1938, continuing to ski until the last days of his life. He is survived by wife Ann, sons Peter and Lawrence, and nine grandchildren.

1950
RICHARD C. DONATI, M.A. French, 72, of Williamstown, MA, on November 17, 1994, of cancer. A high school French and English teacher until his retirement in 1983, he was selected as an alternate to the U.S. Olympic soccer team while a student at Amherst. Survivors include wife, Jean; two daughters, including Lisa Donati Mayer '73; four sons; a sister, Fiammetta Donati Blossom '44; and nine grandchildren.

1952
DORIS M. DAVIS, M.A. French, of Austin, TX, on November 4, 1992.

1955
EVELYN G. TONDREAU, M.A. French, 72, of Brunswick, ME, on April 11, 1995.

1968
ROBERT D. GREEN, M.A. German, 53, of Minnetonka, MN, on November 7, 1994, in a car accident in Mexico. Mr. Green and his wife, Edie Green (M.A. German '68), founded Intercultural Student Experiences, a study/travel organization for high school foreign language students. ISE utilizes the Middlebury tradition of speaking only the foreign language. Besides his wife, he is survived by a son, David.

1970
ROLF D. FALKENBERG, M.A. German, 73, of Sudbury, Ontario, Canada, on October 3, 1994.

1973
EILEEN C. McKEE, Bread Loaf Writers' Conference, of La Mesa, CA, on September 15, 1994.

1975
LAURIE BRODRICK CORCORAN, M.A. Spanish, 41, of Montreal, Quebec, Canada, on June 18, 1994, of cancer.

1977
GARY J. ROSSI, M.A. French, 43, of Irvine, CA, on January 27, 1995.

1988
GARY L. FODOR, M.A. Spanish, 39, of Savannah, GA, on February 24, 1995.

FACULTY OBITUARIES

ROBERT L. BAKER, 67, of Middlebury, VT, on April 8, 1995. Prof. Baker retired in 1990 as C.V. Starr Professor of Russian at Middlebury College. He was a leader in the field of Russian language teaching in the U.S., holding degrees from the Univ. of CO (B.A.) and the Univ. of MI (M.A. in Russian and Ph.D. in Slavic languages). He also served in the military, studied at the Army Language School in Monterey, CA, and was a graduate exchange student at Leningrad State Univ. He taught at IN Univ. prior to coming to Middlebury College as an associate professor of Russian and dean of the Russian School in 1967. The following year, he was named director of the Russian School, a post he held for 12 years. He was the founder and first resident director of the Middlebury College School in Moscow at the Pushkin Russian Language Institute. In 1980, he was named associate director of the Language Schools and in the following years did significant research into the utilization of technology, including computerized instruction, in the teaching of foreign languages. Dr. Baker was president of the National Federation of Modern Language Teachers, and also served on several occasions as vice president of the American Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages. He was the author or co-author of numerous Russian language textbooks. He is survived by his wife, Alexandra, a member of the Russian department at Middlebury; and by his children, Lawrence and Elizabeth; and four grandchildren.

ARON PRESSMAN, 97, of Amherst, MA, on March 9, 1995. A member of Middlebury's Russian School faculty for more than 30 years, Prof. Pressman also taught Russian at NYU and helped to build the Russian department at UMass, Amherst. He was the author and co-author of several language textbooks and language learning programs. Survivors include wife Louise, two daughters, a brother, six grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

NOTICES

CONSTITUTION CHANGES

At the Alumni Association's annual meeting (Homecoming Convocation, Mead Chapel, October 14, 1995) changes to the MCAA Constitution will be proposed, including: a decrease in size of the Board and the frequency of meetings, changes in its current committee structure, and a modification of the Constitution's language regarding the role of the Alumni Trustees. All alumni and guests are encouraged to attend.

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Letters

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Sporting Perspective

Having determined to settle in the reaches of the far Southwest, I rarely experience the pride of seeing the name of my alma mater in the media. Recently, however, my son-in-law (Stanford '79) saved a copy of *Sports Illustrated* magazine to share with me over the Thanksgiving weekend, and showed me the article about the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC), to which Middlebury belongs. In this era of the manic sports fan, it was good to note that Midd and its neighbors, while continuing to emphasize healthy participation in sports of all kinds, were continuing to keep their perspective and treat college sports as a collateral learning exercise, second to the goal of obtaining a liberal arts education. I was very proud to see Middlebury's name among the proponents of the goals of the NESCAC. It was to be noted that of all major universities, Stanford, which promotes the same goals, had also achieved comparable academic success. I assured my son-in-law that if his alma mater continued to work hard and to persist, it too could keep up with the lofty academic standards of Middlebury College.
Peter A. Neisser '54
Scottsdale, AZ

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EDUCATED OPINION

by Frank Sesno '77

DEGREES OF TRUTH: COLLEGE CREDIBILITY ON THE LINE

America is awash in cynicism. Cynicism about the media. Cynicism about our institutions. Broken promises and public scandals have eroded the credibility upon which public trust is built. Opinion polls reveal the damage: the American justice system is seen as unfair; Congress and the presidency enjoy little public trust; the press is viewed as biased and negative; even baseball has lost its luster.

Academia is one institution that has been largely spared this widespread sense of distrust. So it was especially disturbing to read in early April a meticulously written and detailed *Wall Street Journal* article entitled "Cheat Sheets: Colleges Inflate SATs and Graduation Rates in Popular Guidebooks." The article reveals that many schools are "cookin' the books" so they will fare better in the annual college and university hit parades featured in magazines and guidebooks such as *U.S. News & World Report, Money,* and *Barrons.* Like an Oscar nomination or Car of the Year award, the media-bestowed Best-Schools-in-America standings directly affect the prospects of the fortunate few.

As the *Journal* described it, the "massaging of the numbers" touches virtually every aspect of a school's measurable success—SAT scores; application, acceptance, and enrollment rates; graduation rates. One school simply lopped off the bottom 6 percent of its SAT scores, lifting the average reported score by 40 points. The admissions director described the now-discarded practice as a "marketing strategy." Other schools omitted verbal SAT results from international, remedial, or, in some instances, disadvantaged students when calculating their "average" test score.

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There is no legal penalty for institutions that do this, though the *Journal* pointed out that fudging the figures with debt-rating agencies, such as Standard & Poor's and Moody's, is a violation of federal securities laws and subject to huge liabilities. Schools must provide these agencies with information when they want to sell bonds or notes. Comparing 100 credit reports with information in the popular press, the *Journal* found more than two dozen discrepancies.

In shading the truth, schools risk what should count the most—their credibility. It takes years to build a faculty, a strong student body, dedicated alumni, and an administration worthy of the institution. But in the supercompetitive, superexpensive world of higher education, the pressure to maintain application rates and student body size is enormous. The question becomes: at what price?

As a journalist—and as a Middlebury alumni trustee—I have a deep, vested interest in this issue from all sides. Middlebury sits proudly in the top tier of national liberal arts colleges. But it does not—and must not—obsess about its media standing. President John McCardell is well aware of this fact and compares the ratings to the serpent in the garden. "We all know it's there," he says, "but we try to avoid its temptations." McCardell says Middlebury does not delete any test scores or inflate measures of its selectivity, and does not provide one set of data to Moody's and another to magazines and guidebooks.

The purpose of higher education is to impart knowledge, to sharpen the intellect, and to instill a lifelong sense of curiosity. It is also about integrity—you don't cheat, you don't plagiarize, you don't sacrifice credibility on the altar of short-term gain. In the wider world, these lessons are too often forgotten. Public trust has eroded as a result. Our colleges represent our future. Surely they know they teach by example. ■

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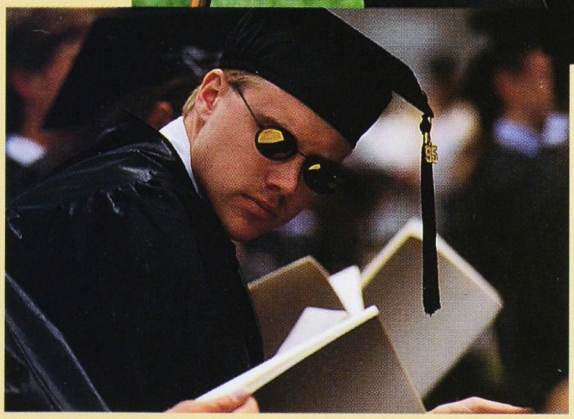

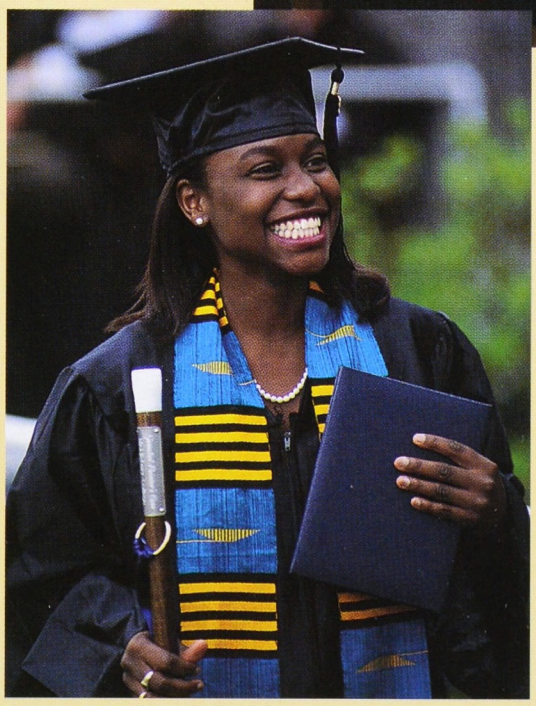

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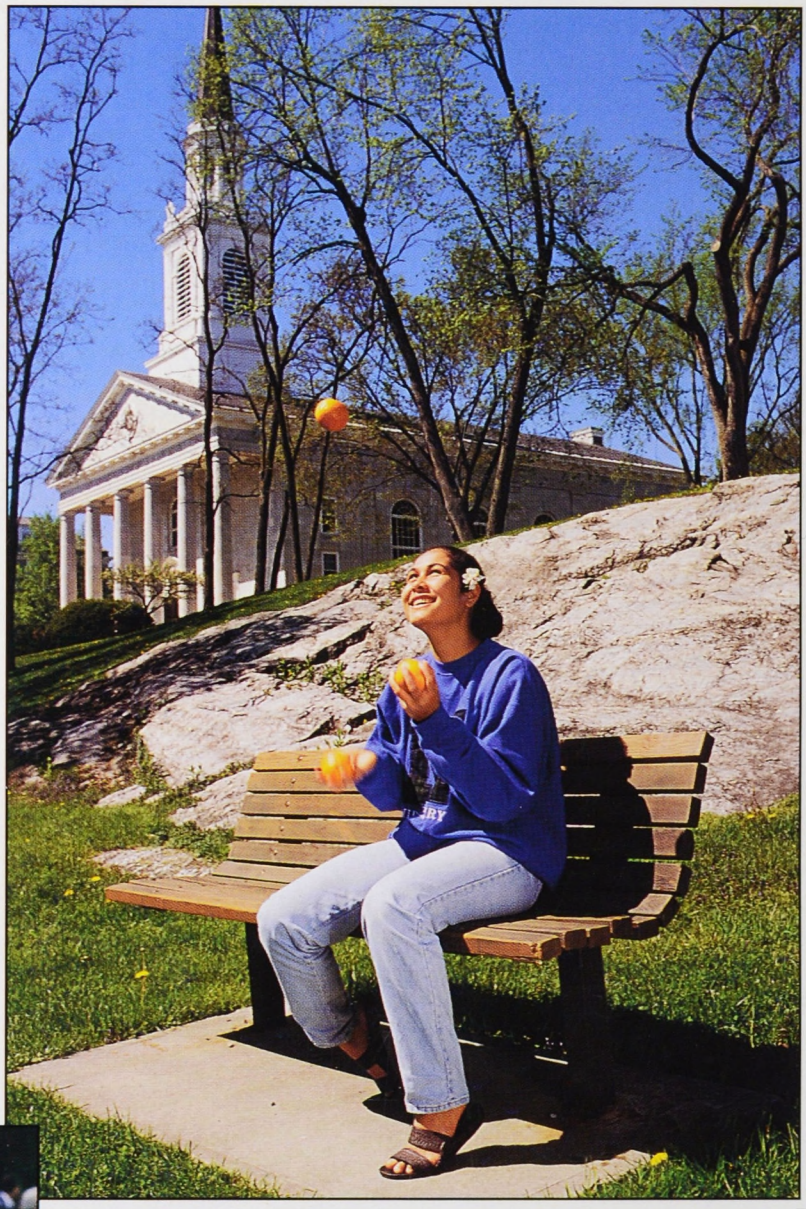

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